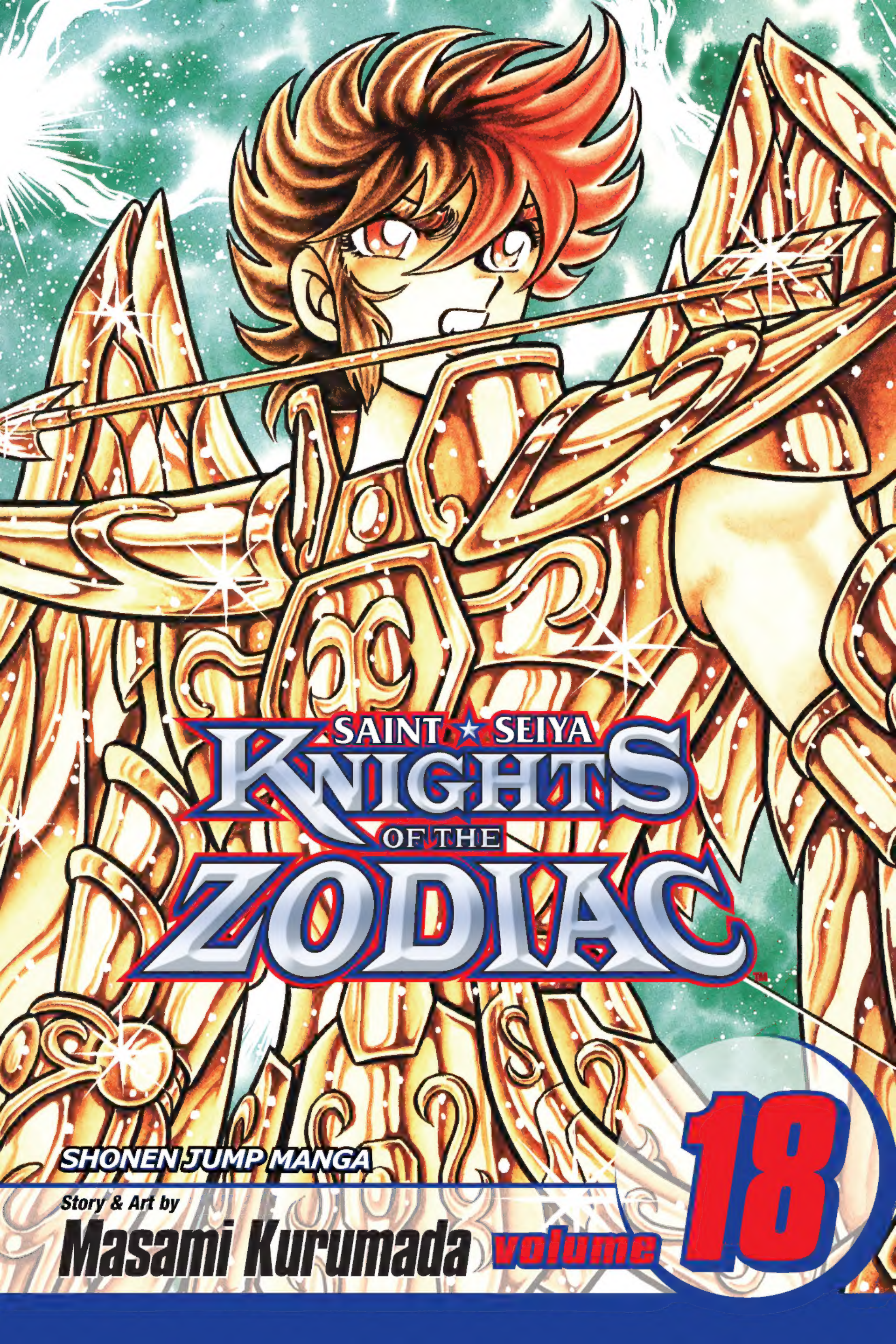
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Writing these comments torments me more than anything else in manga production. I'm always racking my brains for something to write about, procrastinating until the very last minute. I feel like I used to have a lot more to write about in the past. When I look back and reread my old comments, I can almost feel the hunger and anger of my younger self. Does not being able to find things to write about mean I've lost that passion? No! As long as I'm still a manga artist, I've got to be constantly starving for *something!*

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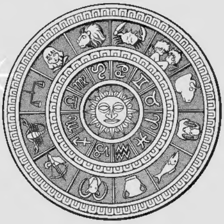

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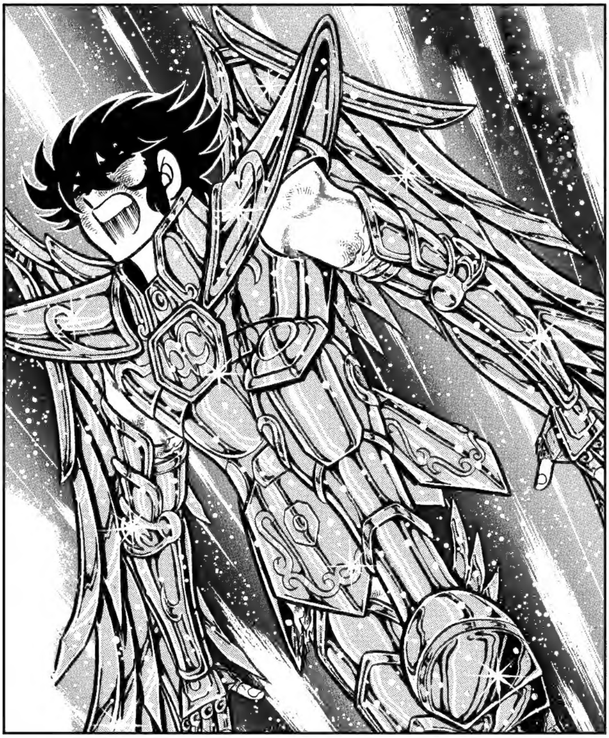

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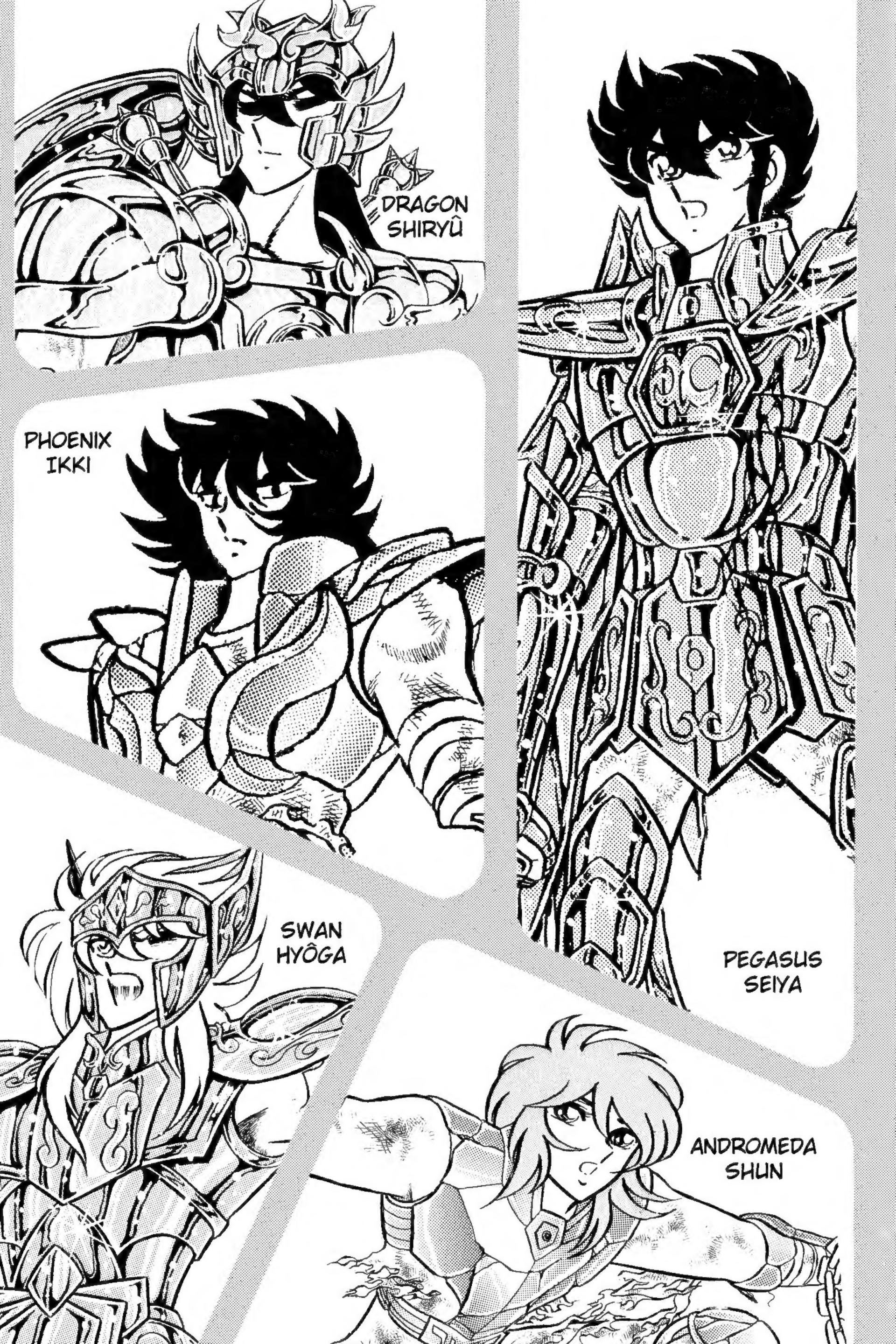
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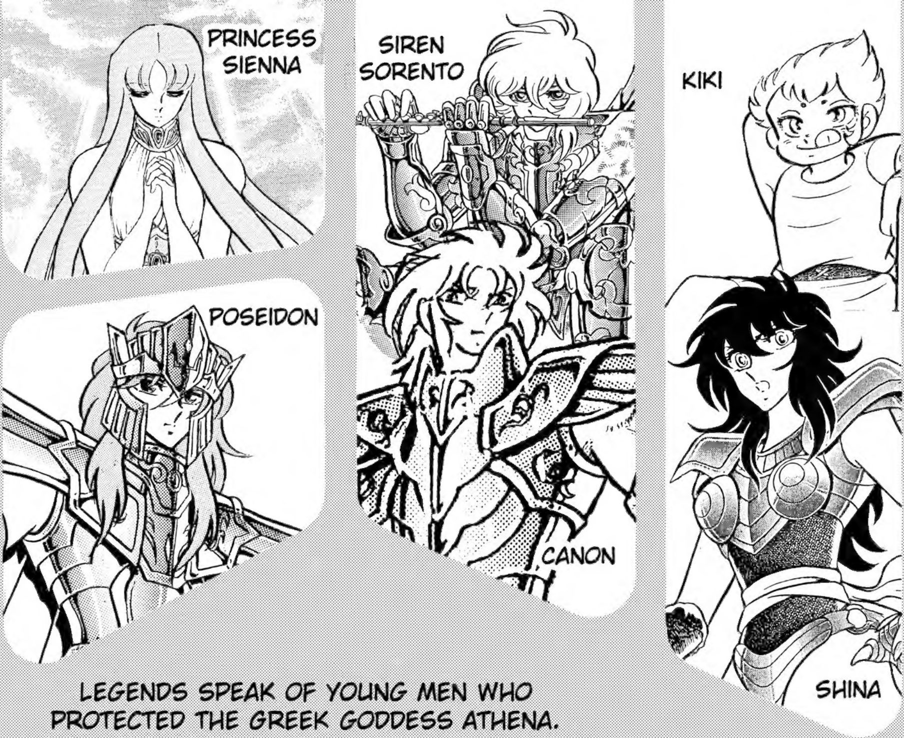

THE STORY THUS FAR ...

LEGENDS SPEAK OF YOUNG MEN WHO PROTECTED THE GREEK GODDESS ATHENA. KNOWN AS ATHENA'S KNIGHTS, THEY WERE SAID TO WIELD PUNCHES THAT CRACKED THE SKY AND KICKS THAT SPLIT THE EARTH. TO RAISE WARRIORS TO FIGHT FOR PRINCESS SIENNA, THE INCARNATION OF ATHENA, LORD NOBU SENT 100 CHILDREN INTO THE WORLD TO TRAIN AS KNIGHTS. THE BRONZE KNIGHTS--SEIYA, HYÔGA, SHIRYÛ, AND SHUN--SUCCEEDED BRILLIANTLY IN THEIR TRAINING.

TO SAVE SIENNA AND ALL HUMANITY FROM THE WRATH OF THE SEA GOD POSEIDON, THE BRONZE KNIGHTS MUST DESTROY THE SEVEN PILLARS THAT SUPPORT THE OCEANS OF THE WORLD, AS WELL AS THE MARINERS WHO GUARD THEM. THE KNIGHTS TAKE DOWN THE PILLARS ONE BY ONE, BUT BY THE TIME THEY CONFRONT POSEIDON HIMSELF, THEY'RE WOUNDED AND EXHAUSTED. AND EVEN ATHENA'S COSMO HAS FADED AWAY...

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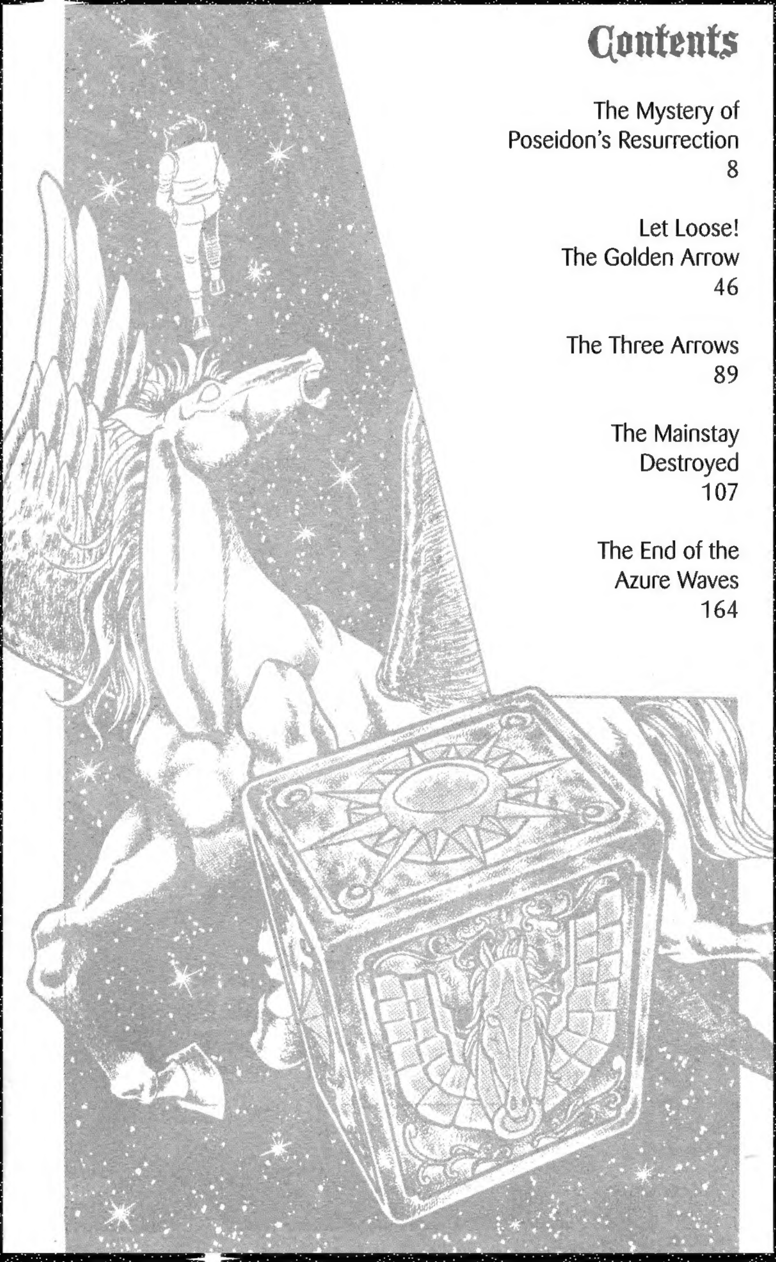

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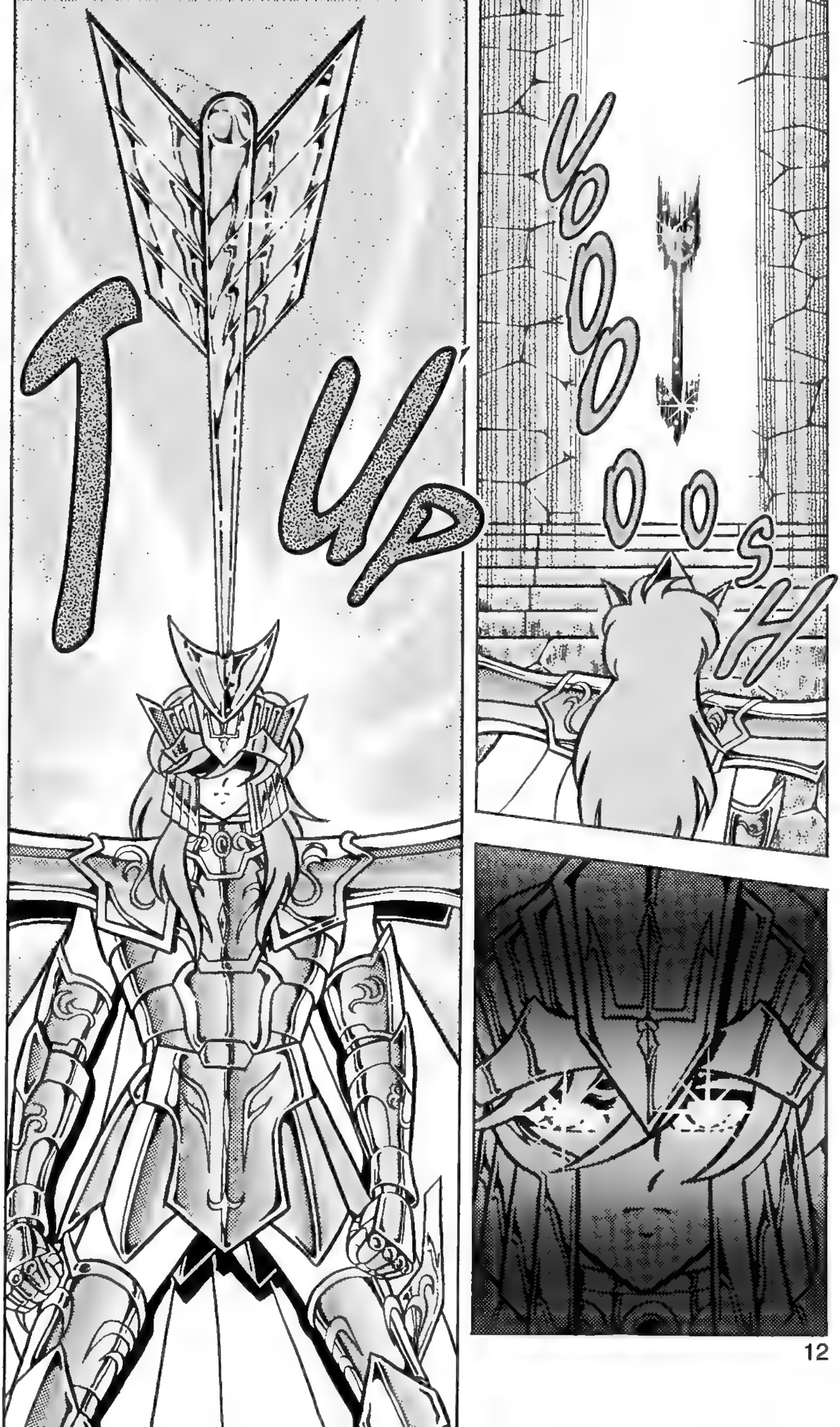
THE MYSTERY OF POSEIDON'S RESURRECTION

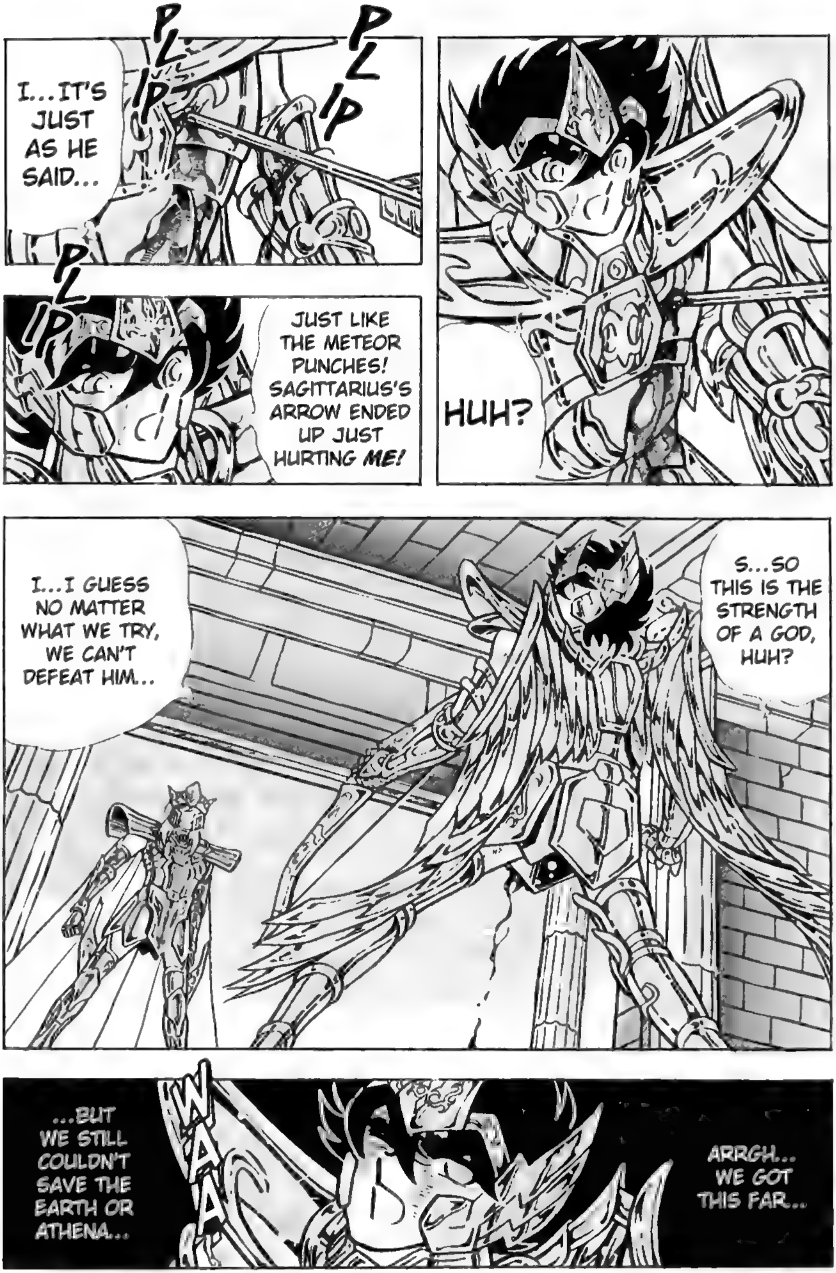
CRIK
CRIK
CRIK
A...ALL RIGHT! NO MORE HESITATION!
HERE I COME, POSEIDON !!
S...SEIYA... N...NO...
H...HE'S A GOD INCARNATE...
Y...YOU'LL DIE, SEIYA...
NOW... SHOOT ME!
AND YOUR ARROW SHALL PIERCE *YOUR* HEART INSTEAD!

CRIK
CRIK
WHETHER THIS ARROW PIERCES...
...MY HEART ...
CRIK
...OR POSEIDON'S BODY...

GRAAAH!
GRAAAH!
THIS IS WAR, POSEIDON!
SHING

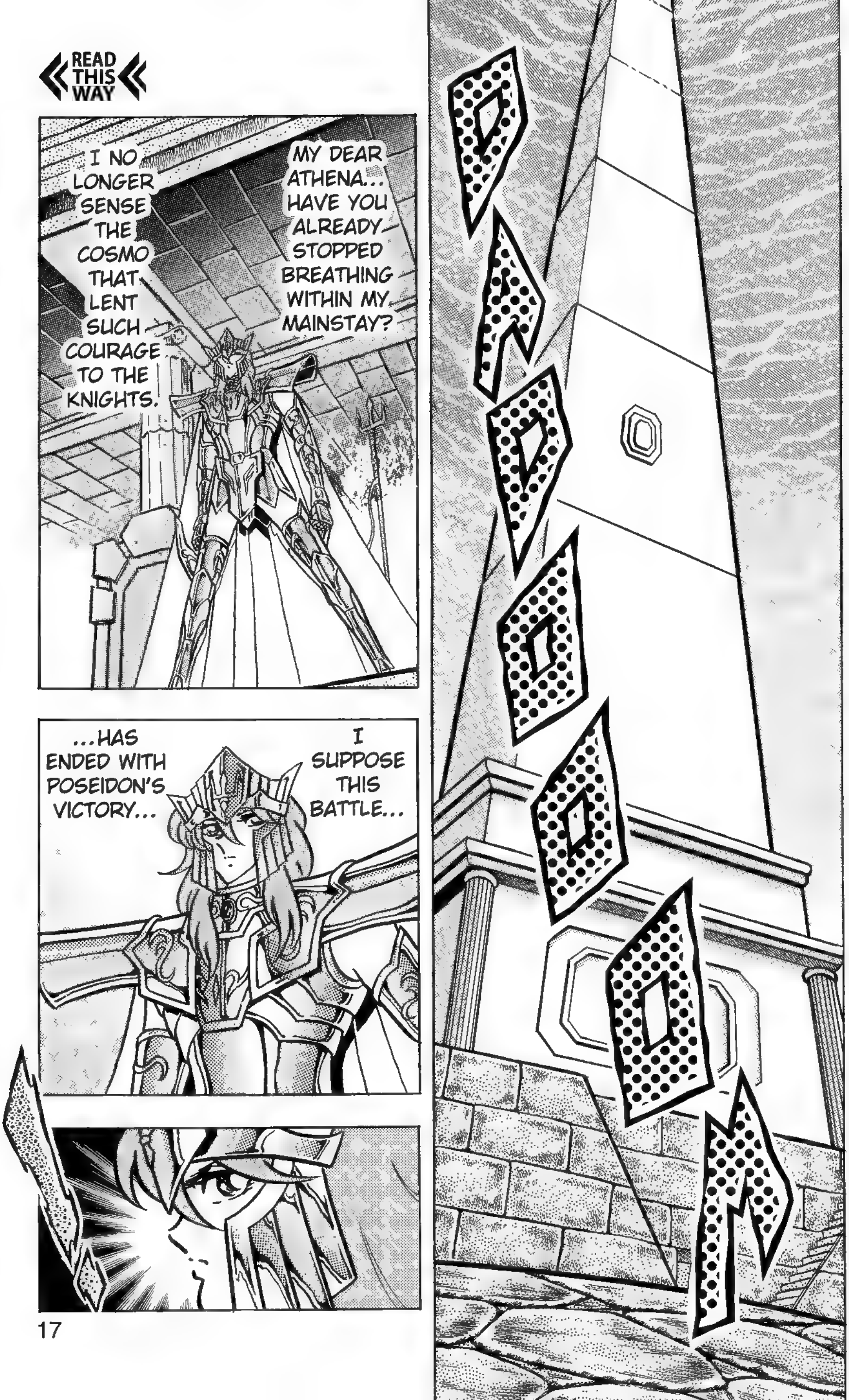

TUP
WOOOOOOOSH

KIII
KIII
OH, NO!
THE ARROW TURNED AROUND!
S... SEIYA'LL BE KILLED!
WAK
UNH!
THUK


PLIP
PLIP
I...IT'S JUST AS HE SAID...
PLIP
JUST LIKE THE METEOR PUNCHES! SAGITTARIUS'S ARROW ENDED UP JUST HURTING ME!
HUH?
S...SO THIS IS THE STRENGTH OF A GOD, HUH?
I...I GUESS NO MATTER WHAT WE TRY, WE CAN'T DEFEAT HIM...
ARRGH... WE GOT THIS FAR...
WAA
...BUT WE STILL COULDN'T SAVE THE EARTH OR ATHENA...

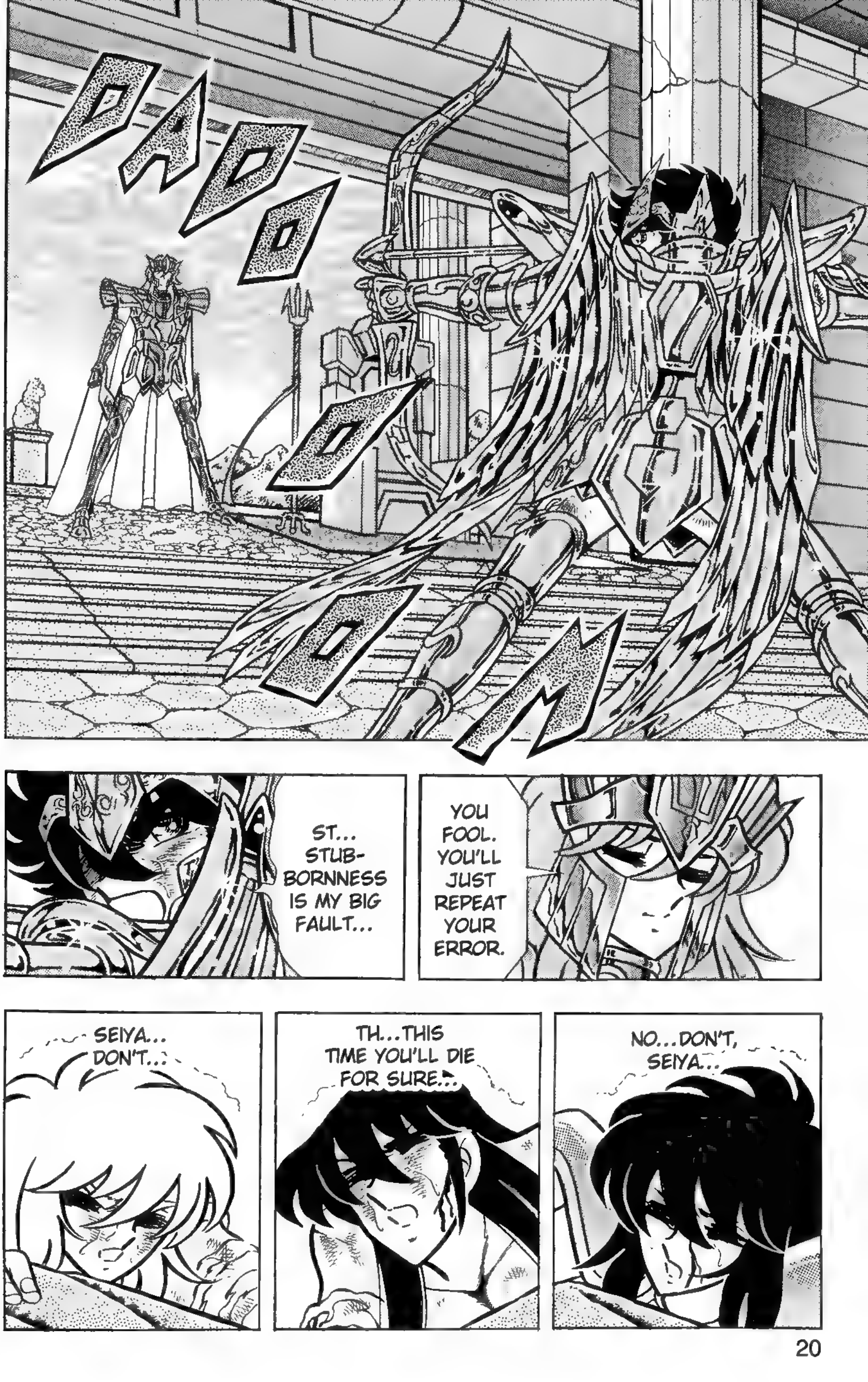
SPAK
SEIYA...
D...DON'T DIE, SEIYA...
AHH... SEIYA!
BDMP
BDMP
BDMP

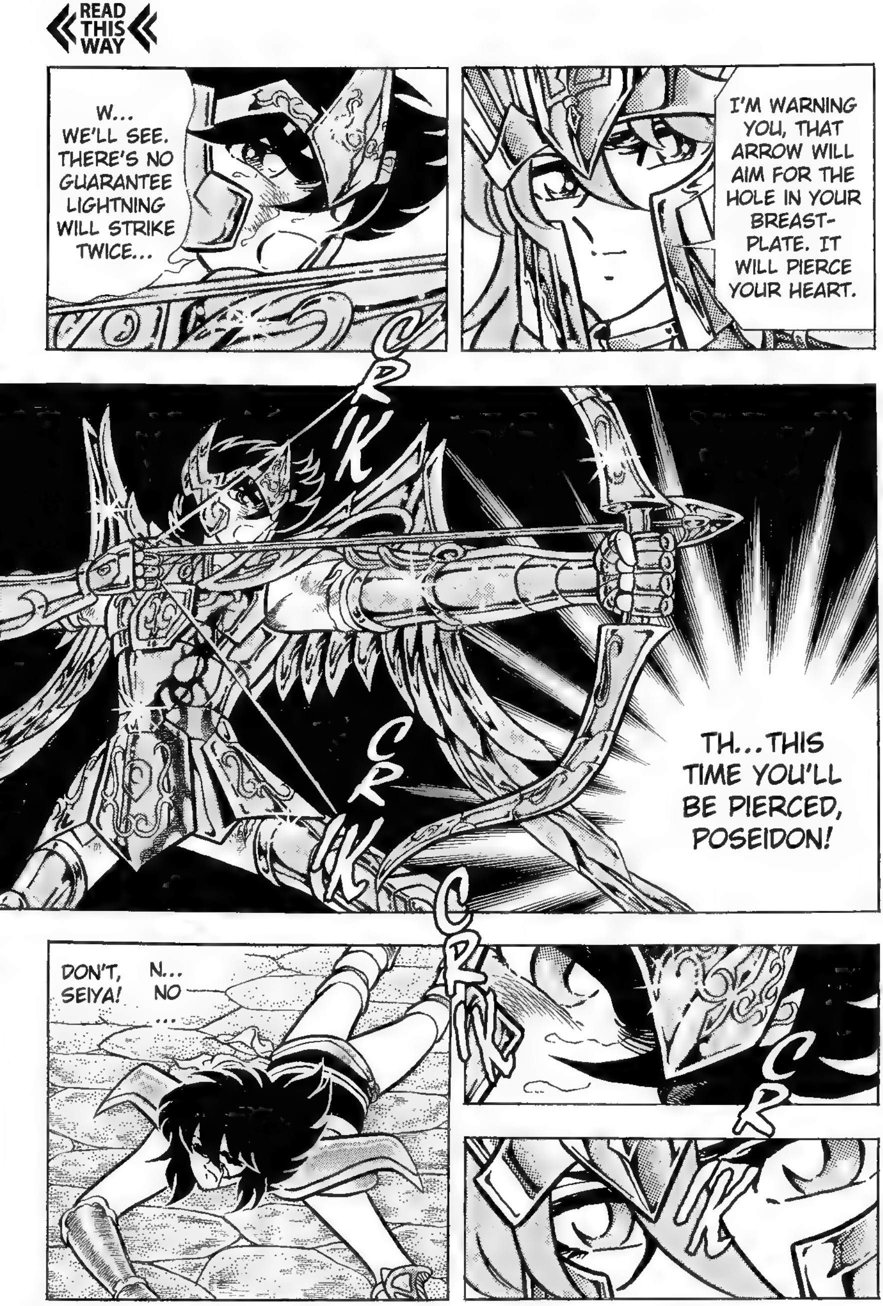
READ THIS WAY



I SEE...
THE GOLD CLOTH PROTECTED YOUR HEART FROM BEING SKEWERED, EH?
hff
hff
hff
UNNH ...
YEAH... BY JUST A COUPLE INCHES...
hff
hff
BUT WHAT ARE YOU THINKING, STANDING BACK UP?

READ THIS WAY
WHIP
GRAAH!
K-CHAK


DADOOOM
ST... STUB-BORNNESS IS MY BIG FAULT...
YOU FOOL. YOU'LL JUST REPEAT YOUR ERROR.
NO...DON'T, SEIYA...
TH...THIS TIME YOU'LL DIE FOR SURE...
SEIYA... DON'T...

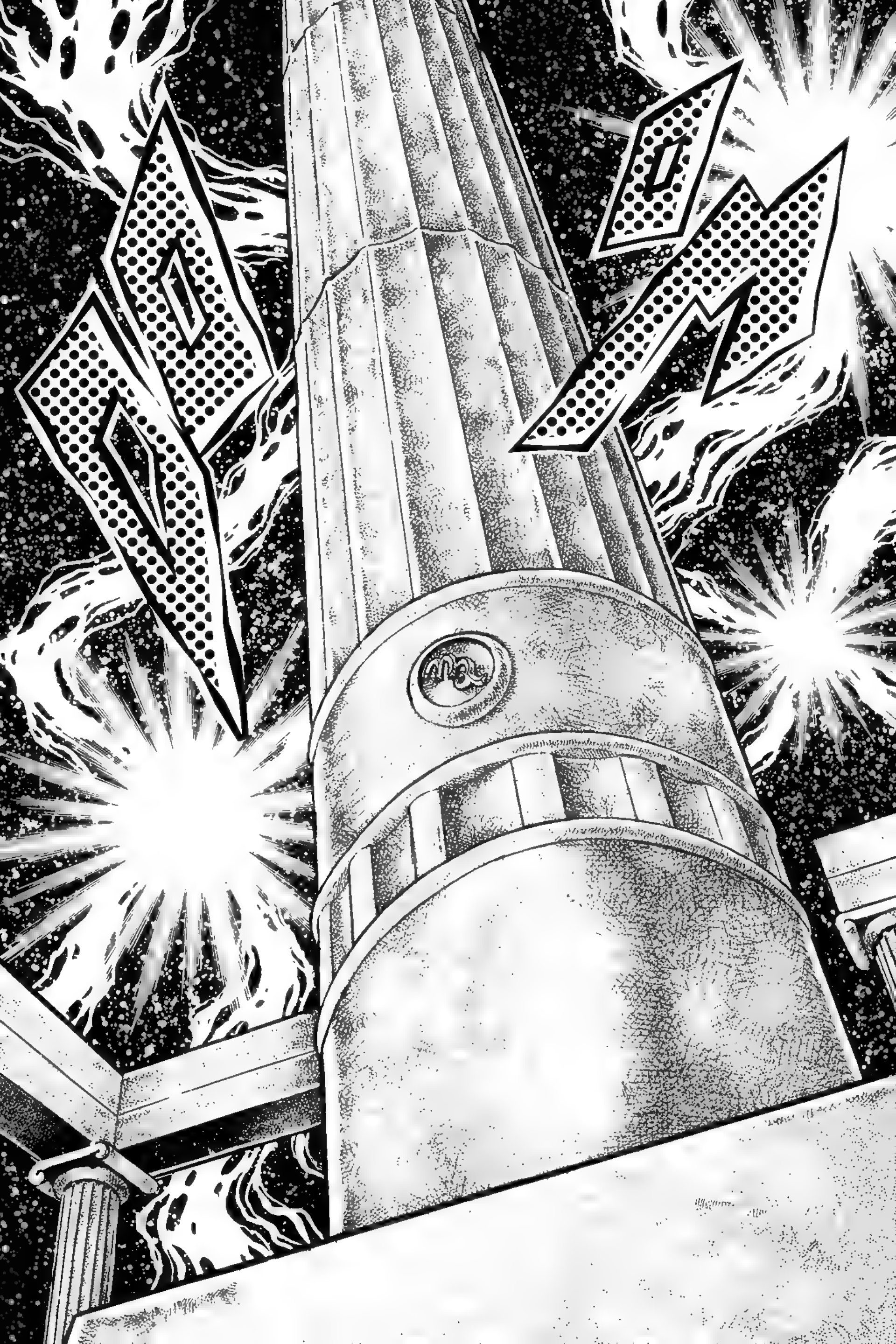

READ THIS WAY
I'M WARNING YOU, THAT ARROW WILL AIM FOR THE HOLE IN YOUR BREAST-PLATE. IT WILL PIERCE YOUR HEART.
W... WE'LL SEE. THERE'S NO GUARANTEE LIGHTNING WILL STRIKE TWICE...
TH...THIS TIME YOU'LL BE PIERCED, POSEIDON!
CRIK
CRIK
CRIK
CRIK
N... NO...
DON'T, SEIYA!

RAAH!!
FWASH
WRRRL...
NG
GO-SH
WO

UNH!
SEIYA!
IT SHOT BACK AT SEIYA AGAIN!
N... NO!
THIS TIME, IT'LL PIERCE HIS HEART!
THUK
PLIP
PLIP
OH...

SH... SHINA!!
SHINA!
S... SEIYA... YOU CAN'T DIE YET...
YOU ARE...
...OUR ONE AND ONLY HOPE...

...NOT JUST TO ME...BUT TO ALL THE EARTH...

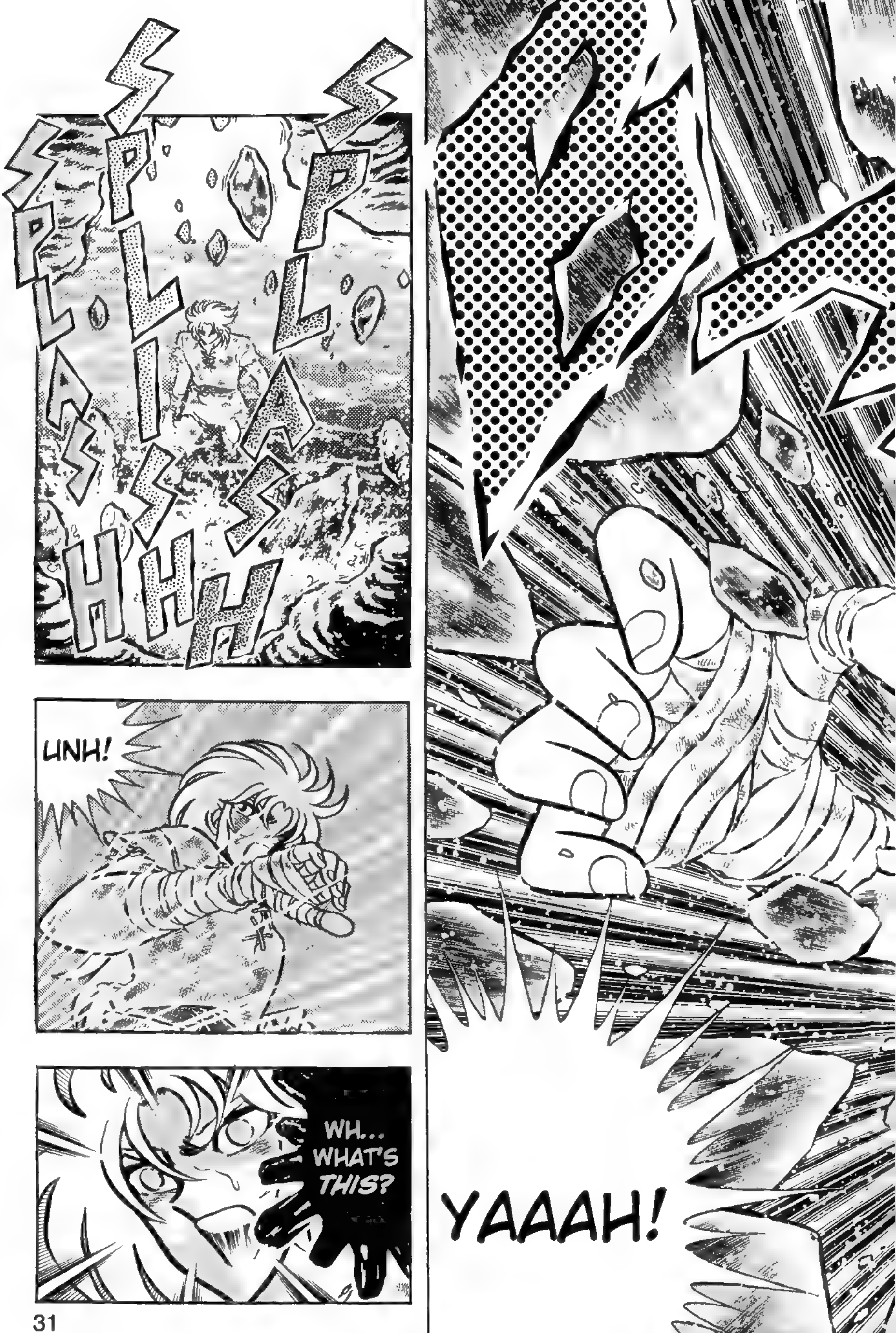


PADOOOOOM
NORMALLY, THE PHOENIX PHANTOM DEMON PUNCH CRUSHES THE ENEMY'S PSYCHE...
...BUT I SPARED YOUR MIND MOST OF THE DAMAGE JUST NOW.
SO TELL ME POSEIDON'S SECRET...
...OR I'LL DRAG IT OUT OF YOU.
WHAT DID YOU FIND IN CAPE SUNION'S STONE PRISON, 13 YEARS AGO?
UGH ...

CAPE SUNION ...
ON THE CLIFFS AT THE TIP OF THE CAPE ARE THE RUINS OF WHAT WAS ONCE POSEIDON'S EARTHLY TEMPLE.
AT THE FOOT OF THE CLIFFS IS A STONE PRISON. IN THE AGE OF MYTHS, ATHENA USED IT TO IMPRISON ENEMIES CAPTURED DURING THE BATTLE OF THE GODS.
IT'S NOT POSSIBLE TO ESCAPE WITH MERE HUMAN STRENGTH.

READ THIS WAY

CRASH
WH... WHAT'S THAT LIGHT?
SPLASH
IS THERE SOMETHING BEHIND THIS BOULDER?
WAK WAK
UNH!
I THINK I CAN BREAK THROUGH HERE.
A...ALL RIGHT!
IF ALL GOES WELL, I MIGHT BE ABLE TO ESCAPE!

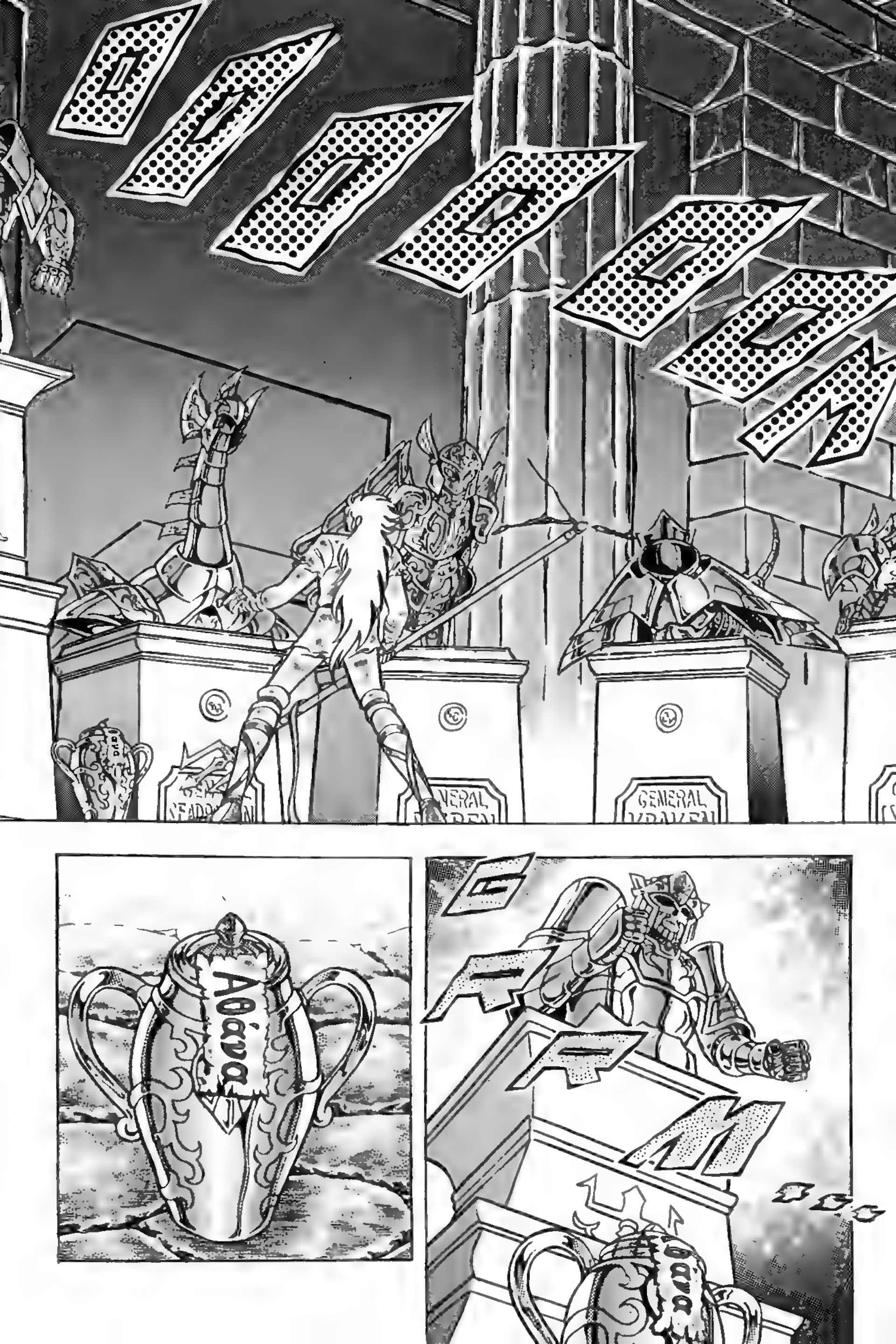

SPLASH
SPLISH
SPLASH
UNH!
WH... WHAT'S THIS?
YAAAH!

TH...THIS IS THE LEGENDARY TRIDENT...
...OF THE SEA GOD POSEIDON!!
TH... THIS IS ATHENA'S SEAL!
ATHENA MUST'VE SEALED IT AWAY HERE AFTER THE LAST BATTLE OF THE GODS!
BUT WHAT'S IT DOING HERE?
HUH?
Αθάνα

ZASH
NO WAY ...
OH!
THE SEAL MUST BE LOSING ITS STRENGTH!
IT'S LOOSE! I CAN PULL OUT THE TRIDENT WITH MY OWN STRENGTH!!
DRRM

WAAAAAH!
WH... WHAT THE...
WAAAAH!
I'M GETTING PULLED TO THE BOTTOM OF THE SEA!
I...I'M GETTING SUCKED DOWN!!

WHERE AM I? THE OCEAN HANGS ABOVE ME LIKE THE SKY!
I DON'T SENSE ANY PEOPLE AT ALL.
IT'S DEAD SILENT, LIKE NO ONE'S BEEN HERE FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS.
THAT'S ...
OH!
DOOOM
...POSEIDON'S UNDER-WATER TEMPLE!!


GENERAL
GENERAL
Αθάνα

GENERAL SEA HORSE NORTH
GENERAL CHRYSAOR INDIAN
GENERAL SKYLLA
SH
AA
ATHENA'S SEAL IS ON THIS URN, TOO!
D...DON'T TELL ME... THAT INSIDE IS...
SLP

SHIP
FWASH
THOU!
WOOOSH
UNH!

ART THOU HE WHO HAST DISTURBED MY SLUMBER?
GRRRM
UH... UH...
GENER
AND WHEREFORE DIDST THOU DISTURB MY SLUMBER?
Y...YES, SIR..
IT'S TRUE!
ATHENA IMPRISONED POSEIDON INSIDE THIS URN!
ANSWER ME!!

B…BUT ATHENA'S SEAL HAD WEAKENED ENOUGH FOR ME TO PULL IT OFF…
WHAT? ATHENA, YOU SAY?
I…I THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE TIME FOR YOU TO WAKE UP…
FOOL! I HAD PLANNED TO SLEEP ANOTHER 200… 300 YEARS!!
FOOL!!
WHASH
REGARDLESS OF THAT WENCH'S SEAL, I CAN WAKE OF MY OWN ACCORD IF I SO DECIDE!
GRRAH
YES, SIR!

SO SHE KNEW OF MY REAWAKENING AND RETURNED TO LIFE IN ANTICIPATION OF THE IMPENDING BATTLE!
YES... PROBABLY...
E-EXCUSE MY FORWARDNESS, LORD POSEIDON...
...BUT ATHENA HAS RECENTLY BEEN REBORN...
WHAT? ATHENA, REBORN?
NO, IT CANNOT BE. I FIRST FOUGHT ATHENA OVER THE LAND OF ATTICA IN THE AGE OF MYTHS.
WE CLASHED SEVERAL OTHER TIMES, BUT THEY WERE ALL IN THE ANCIENT PAST.
I HAVE NOT BATTLED THAT LITTLE WENCH IN SEVERAL THOUSAND YEARS. I FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE SHE RESURRECTED FOR *ME*...
EVEN WHEN I BRIEFLY DRIFTED OUT OF MY SLEEP SOME 200-ODD YEARS AGO, ATHENA AND I HAD NO DISAGREEMENTS.
I RETURNED TO MY SLUMBER OF MY OWN ACCORD.
YES... W... WELL...

COME TO THINK OF IT, ATHENA WAS FIGHTING ANOTHER AT THAT TIME.
"NOT AGAIN," I THOUGHT TO MYSELF AS I FELL BACK TO SLEEP. IF I RECALL CORRECTLY...
THAT'S RIGHT, NOW I REMEMBER. THE OPPONENT ATHENA BATTLED 200 YEARS AGO WAS...
HIM!!
HEH... NOW I SEE. ATHENA HAS MOST LIKELY RETURNED TO FIGHT *HIM.*
SINCE THE AGE OF MYTHS, HE HAS DESIRED THE EARTH EVEN MORE THAN I.
A...AND WHO IS *THAT?*
NEVER YOU MIND. SO...WHAT IS YOUR NAME?
GENERAL
SEADRAGON
NORTH ATRANTIC
OH...
I...I AM...

READ THIS WAY
S...SEA DRAGON, SIR.
HEAR ME, SEA DRAGON!
YES!
EACH TIME I RETURN, I BORROW AS MY HOST ONE OF THE BLOODLINE OF THE SOLO CLAN.
THE SOLOS CURRENTLY HAVE A 3-YEAR-OLD HEIR, JULIAN. I SHALL SLEEP A LITTLE WHILE LONGER INSIDE JULIAN SOLO'S BODY. DO NOT WAKE ME AGAIN UNTIL HE REACHES 16 YEARS OF AGE.
WHAT ABOUT ATHENA?
ATHENA CANNOT BE MORE THAN A SWADDLING BABE. SHE WILL BE ABLE TO DO NAUGHT FOR MANY YEARS.
NOW THAT I HAVE ESCAPED ATHENA'S URN, MY GREAT WILL SHALL SLOWLY STEEP THIS TEMPLE AND PERMEATE THE OCEANS THEMSELVES.
WHEN THE MARINERS SENSE ME, THEY SHALL GATHER FROM ALL CORNERS OF THE EARTH.

H...HE DISAPPEARED... HIS COSMO IS GONE...
HE MUST'VE GONE TO POSSESS THIS JULIAN SOLO.
HEH... HEH HEH HEH.
THIS IS A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY GIVEN BY THE GODS!
DON'T WORRY ABOUT BEING AWAKENED, POSEIDON! I'LL *NEVER* AWAKEN YOU! I'LL SIMPLY *USE* YOU.
YOU'LL SLEEP FOREVER INSIDE THAT BOY'S BODY, A PUPPET OF MY WILL.
MY WAR AGAINST ATHENA SHALL COMMENCE ONLY THEN. DO NOT WAKE ME UNTIL THAT TIME!!
UNH!
POSEI-DON!!

BOTH THE EARTH AND THE SEAS WILL BE MINE!!
KLAK
WITH THE MARINERS AT MY COMMAND, I'LL CONQUER THE EARTH!
KLAK
I WILL SEIZE POWER IN POSEIDON'S NAME!
KLAK
JUST WATCH, SAGA! I, CANON, SHALL BECOME GOD OF ALL THE WORLD!!
HA HA HA HA HA!

LET LOOSE!
THE GOLDEN ARROW

A GOD!!
I SHALL BECOME GOD OF EARTH AND SEAS ALIKE!!
I'LL RULE ALL, IN ATHENA'S AND POSEIDON'S STEAD!
HA HA HA HA HA!
SORRY, CANON, BUT THAT'S NOT GOING TO HAPPEN SO EASILY!
WH... WHAT?
WHO'S THERE?

SAGA !!

YOU MAY THINK YOU'VE GOT POSEIDON WRAPPED AROUND YOUR FINGER...
...BUT THE SIN OF PLAYING GOD SHALL NOT BE FORGIVEN.
EVEN WHILE WE SPEAK, THE WRATH OF THE GODS IS ROTTING YOU AWAY.
WH... WHAT?
UNH!
WH... WHAT THE...

YAUGH!
hff
hff
hff
THE LAST BIT WAS AN *EXTRA* ...
...BUT NOW EVERY-THING IS CLEAR.
WH... WHAT ?
WAS THAT THE PHANTOM DEMON PUNCH?
hff
hff
hff
hff
WHA ...

SHUT UP!
SAGA SAID SOMETHING LIKE THAT, TOO.
I GUESS BOTH OF YOU FAILED TO BECOME GODS...HEH.
CRUNCH
FOR 13 YEARS, I'VE WAITED FOR THIS MOMENT! ATHENA WAS NOT A THREAT!
THANKS TO SAGA'S COUP AND THE BATTLE OF THE 12 PALACES, THE GOLD KNIGHTS WERE DIMINISHED TO HALF THEIR NUMBER! I THOUGHT ATHENA'S KNIGHTS WERE DONE FOR!
I NEVER PAID ATTENTION TO TETHYS'S WARNINGS. I THOUGHT SHE JUST DIDN'T UNDERSTAND THE SITUATION AT SANCTUARY.
I TRULY THOUGHT I COULD STROLL IN UNOPPOSED AND CONQUER THE EARTH IN POSEIDON'S NAME!

THAT JUST A FEW BRONZE KNIGHTS COULD GET THIS FAR...
...DIDN'T FIGURE INTO YOUR CALCULATIONS, HUH?
INDEED... BUT PHOENIX, YOU'VE MISCALCULATED, TOO.
WHAT?
INSTEAD OF HOLDING BACK ON YOUR PHANTOM DEMON PUNCH, YOU SHOULD'VE GONE AHEAD AND DESTROYED MY MIND.
YOU MISSED YOUR ONE AND ONLY CHANCE TO DEFEAT ME!
ZHKOOOM
I WON'T ALLOW YOU BRATS TO STOP MY PLANS!
BRACE YOURSELF, PHOENIX! I'M GOING TO WIPE YOU OUT!!

FWOOOSH
ANOTHER METEOR HAS LAUNCHED ITSELF TOWARD THE MEDITERRA-NEAN SEA!
THAT WAS FROM THE PALACE OF THE JEWELED URN!
MÛ, THAT'S ...
INDEED.
AQUARIUS CAMUS...
...YOU TOO HAVE SET OUT TO AID THE BRONZE KNIGHTS, EH?

SHINA !!
DOOOOOM
SHINA, WHY...
WHY ARE YOU ALWAYS PROTECTING ME?
I... I...
SHINA, I...
D...DON'T MIND ME, SEIYA...
LIKE I SAID, YOU'RE OUR HOPE...
YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE LEFT, SEIYA...
...WHO CAN CRUSH POSEIDON'S DREAMS...

THERE'S NO TIME!
ARGH!
UNH... UGH.
IF YOU PULL IT OUT NOW, YOUR WOUND WILL OPEN.
N...NO, SHINA!
HUH?
hff
hff
hff
NOW, SEIYA...SHOOT THIS ARROW AT POSEIDON...ONE MORE TIME...
TH...THIS IS ALL WE CAN DO RIGHT NOW AGAINST POSEIDON.
IF THE ARROW FLIES BACK AT YOU, I'LL SHIELD YOU AGAIN...
...SO JUST KEEP SHOOTING, AS MANY TIMES AS IT TAKES.
NOW HURRY !!

SHUK
IF YOU SHOOT THAT ARROW, IT'LL PIERCE THAT WOMAN.
YOU'LL SACRIFICE YOUR COMRADE THIS TIME, EH?
LIKE SHINA SAID...THIS IS ALL WE HAVE LEFT NOW...
THIS IS IT!

UNH!
I...IT'S NO USE AFTER ALL!
OH, SEIYA!
UGH!
S... SEIYA ...
NICE OFFER, SHINA...
...BUT I CAN'T LET YOU PROTECT ME.

OH!
UNH...
SHIRYÛ
...
SH... SHIRYÛ!!
GRR
TH... THAT'S RIGHT ...
H... HYÔGA!
YOU'RE RIGHT, SEIYA.
W...WE MEN CAN'T STAND BY AND LET A WOMAN SHIELD YOU.
GRR

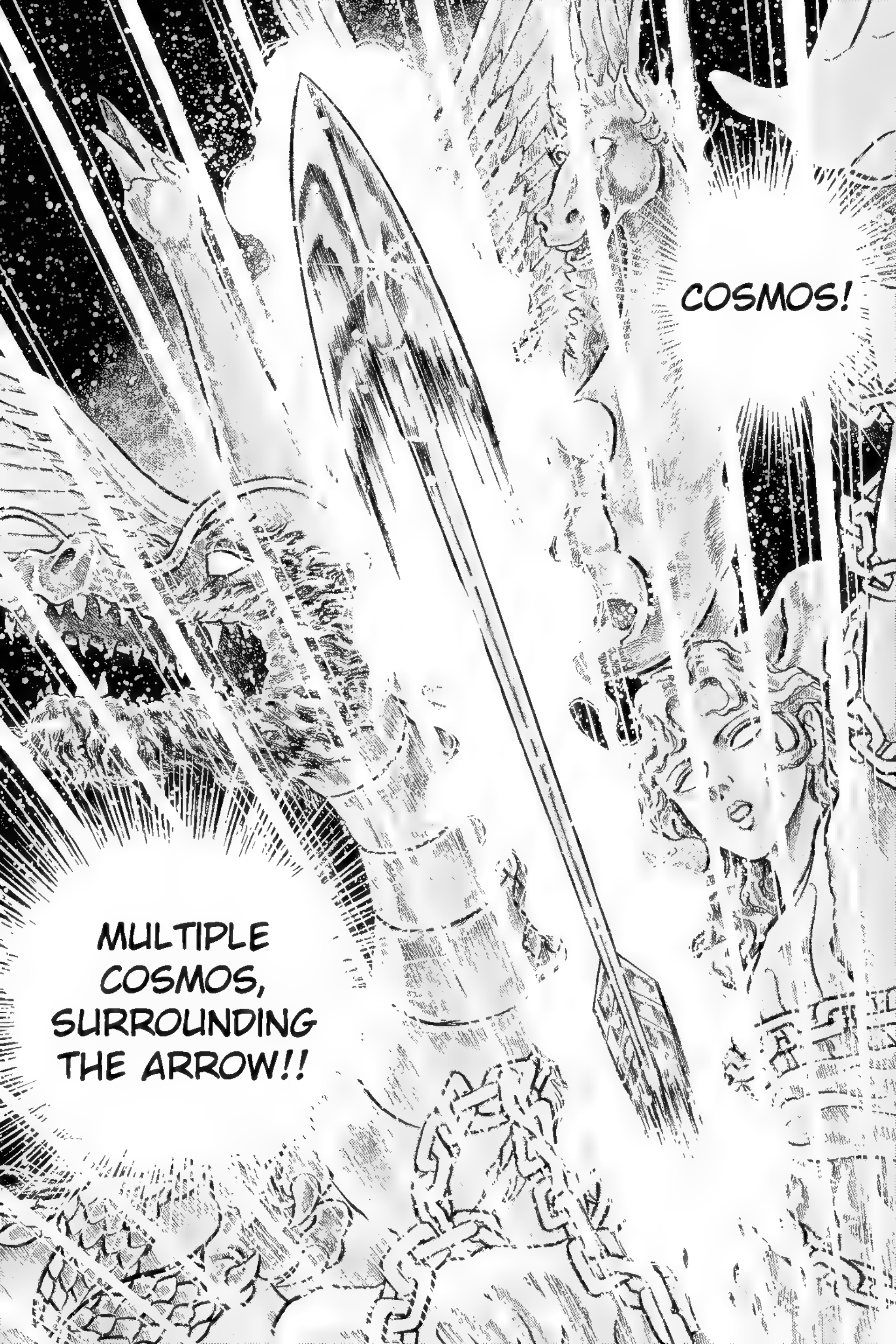
WE'LL BE YOUR SHIELD, SEIYA!
JUST KEEP SHOOTING THAT ARROW!
DOOOOOOM
TH... THAT'S RIGHT, SEIYA!
hff
hff
hff
ZHK
SHUN!!
I... I'M...
I'M HERE NOW, TOO...
TAK
TAK

*A QUOTE FROM THE ANCIENT *BOOK OF HISTORY.*

READ THIS WAY

DOOOOM
HERE I COME, POSEIDON !!
IF THAT'S ACCEPTABLE TO YOU, GO AHEAD AND SHOOT.
I'M TELLING YOU, ONE OF YOU WILL DIE FROM THE NEXT ARROW.
THIS TIME OF ALL TIMES, PLEASE HIT POSEIDON... PLEASE...!!
THIS IS IT. MY ARROW... SAGITTARIUS'S ARROW... PLEASE DON'T RETURN.
UGH...IF IT WAS JUST ME, I WOULDN'T MIND, BUT THE OTHERS ARE ALREADY SO WEAK...

GO, GOLDEN ARROW!
THIS IS THE LAST SHOT!
THWA
NG
WOOSH
WH... WHAT?


COSMOS!
MULTIPLE COSMOS, SURROUNDING THE ARROW!!

ABSURD !!
THE ARROW WON'T RESPOND TO MY WILL!
UNH!

TAK
TAK
TAK
CLANG
YES!
WE HIT POSEI- DON!!

READ THIS WAY
F... FINALLY ...
WE FINALLY HIT POSEIDON !!
DOOOOOOOM

UNH...
HE'S IN PAIN.
NO, THE ARROW ONLY KNOCKED HIS HEADPIECE OFF.
EVEN THOUGH HE'S A GOD, HE'S INHABITING A MORTAL BODY.
PLIP
PLIP
IS HIS WOUND THAT DEEP?
PLIP
IT SHOULD BE A MINOR WOUND.
PLIP
IF YOU CUT HIM, HE CAN BLEED, HUH?
WH... WHERE ...
WHERE IN THE WORLD AM I?
AND WHAT IN THE WORLD AM I *DOING* HERE?
THROB
THROB

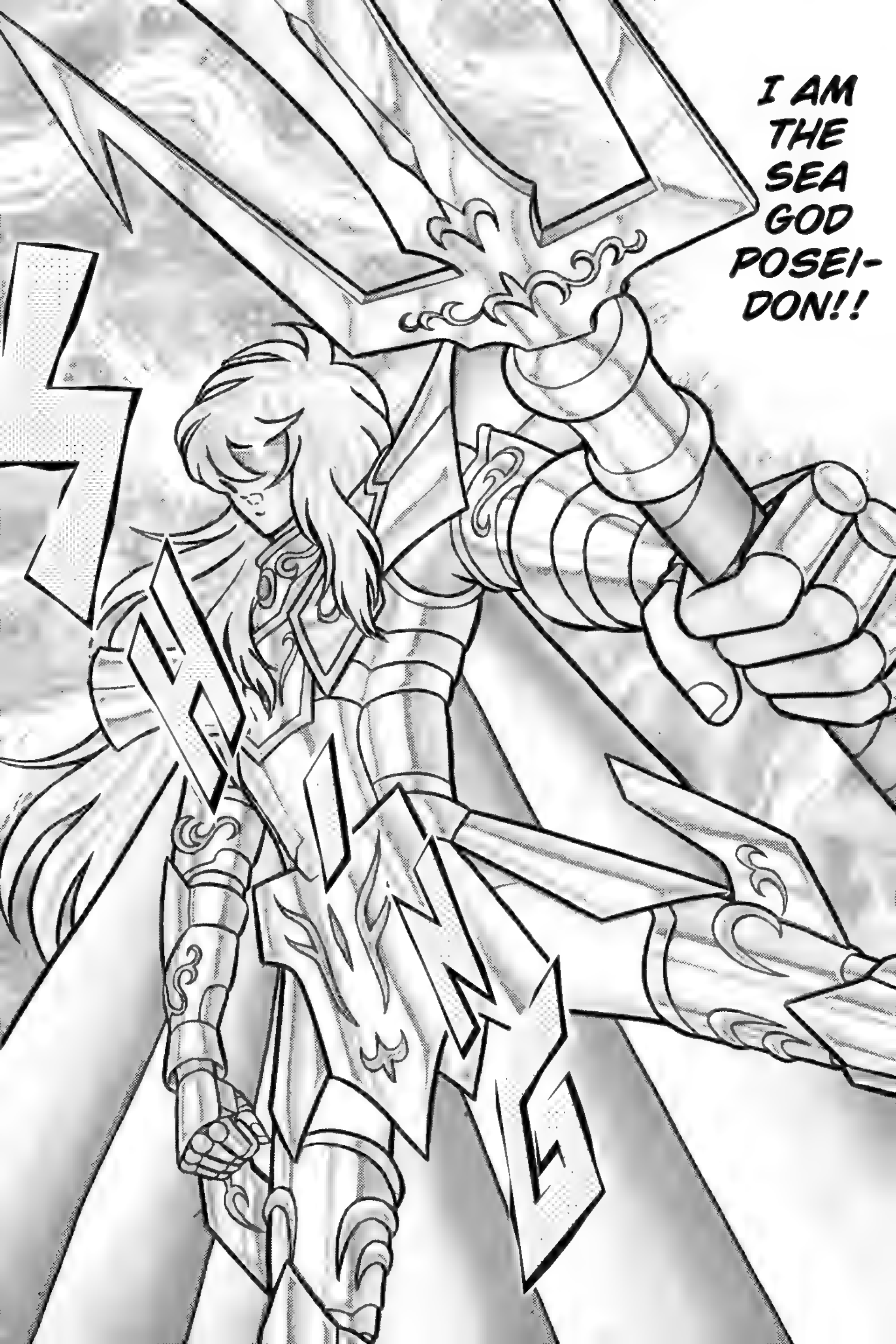
TH...THAT'S RIGHT. THE NIGHT OF MY 16TH BIRTHDAY ...
BDMP
...I WAS BROUGHT HERE BY THAT WOMAN ...
...AND THIS SCALE WAS PUT ON ME.
BDMP
AND THEN... I DON'T REMEMBER ANYTHING.
WHAT HAVE I BEEN DOING HERE?
BDMP
I... WHO AM I?

WHAT'S GOING ON? POSEIDON'S COSMO HAS DISAPPEARED!
IT'S LIKE THE GOD IS AN ORDINARY HUMAN AGAIN. I DON'T SENSE THAT INTENSE COSMO ANYMORE...
WE CAN GET PAST HIM NOW!
BAM
ALL RIGHT! LET'S GO, EVERYONE!!
YEAH!
SHOOOM

READ THIS WAY

DOOOM
JUST KEEP RUNNING STRAIGHT AHEAD!
YES! THE MAINSTAY'S RIGHT IN FRONT OF US!

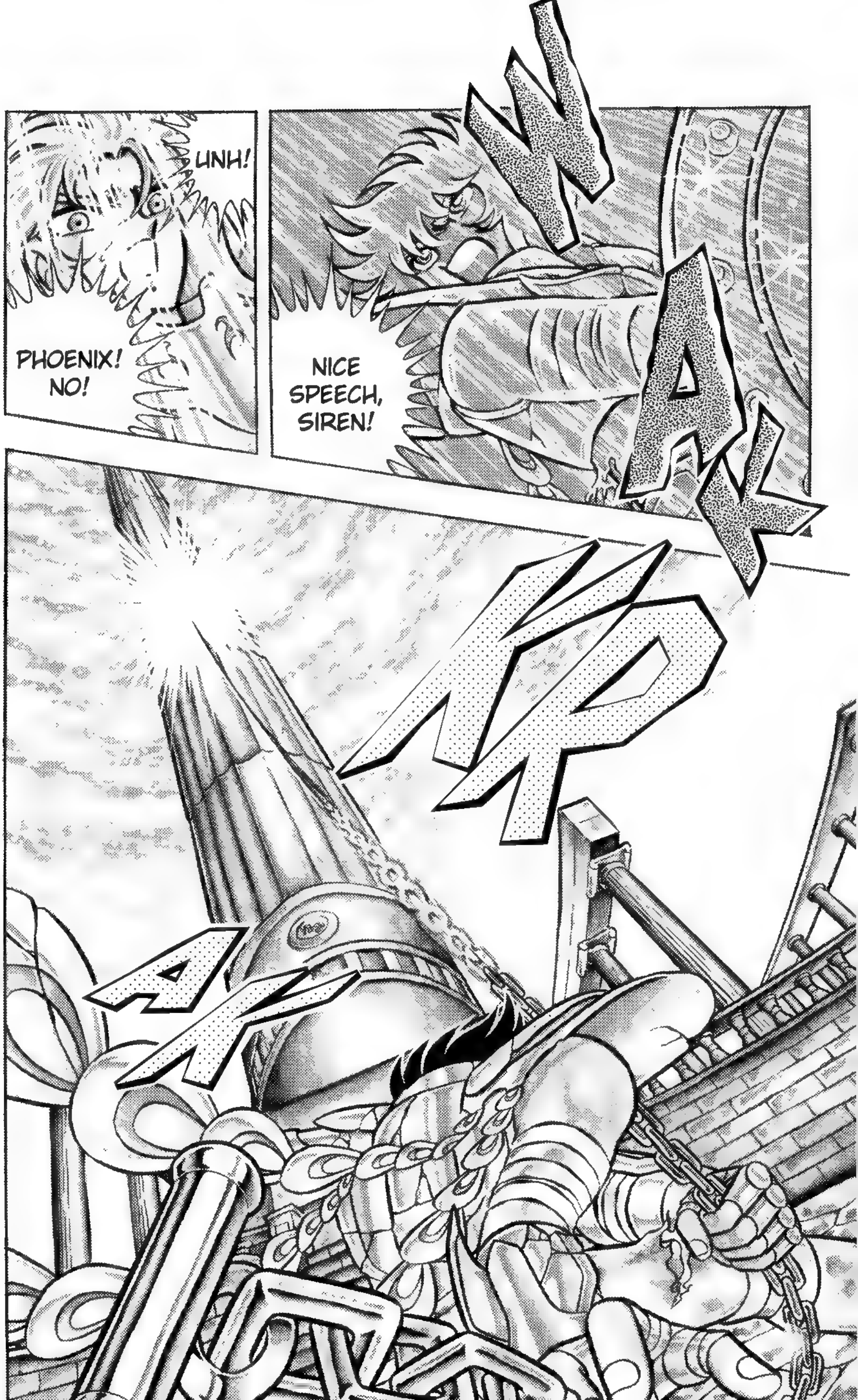
SH
WE'RE THROUGH!
TH... THAT'S RIGHT.
NOW I REMEMBER...
I AWOKE FROM MY LONG SLUMBER TO CLEANSE THIS WORLD OF EVIL!
I AM A GOD!!


I AM THE SEA GOD POSEI-DON!!

READ THIS WAY

OH!
ZHANK
SO THIS PUTS AN END TO YOUR OWN PLANS, EH?
S... SIREN!
...GEMINI CANON.
I HEARD EVERYTHING, SEA DRAGON... I MEAN...
WAP
IKKI!!
LIBRA'S WEAPONS, LAD.
YEAH!

CHAK
WH... WHAT ARE YOU DOING, SIREN?
GRRM
AS YOU CAN SEE, WE'RE DESTROYING THE NORTH ATLANTIC PILLAR.
ARE YOU ABETTING THE ENEMY, HELPING THEM DESTROY OUR UNDERWATER SANCTUARY?
R...RIDICULOUS! IF THAT PILLAR IS DESTROYED, ONLY THE MAINSTAY IS LEFT!
NOW THAT I'VE LEARNED THIS WAS NEVER LORD POSEIDON'S WILL, JUST A BATTLE YOU SET UP, IT IS ALL MEANING-LESS.
BETTER TO LET THE TEMPLE *PERISH!*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PHOENIX! NO!
NICE SPEECH, SIREN!

READ THIS WAY

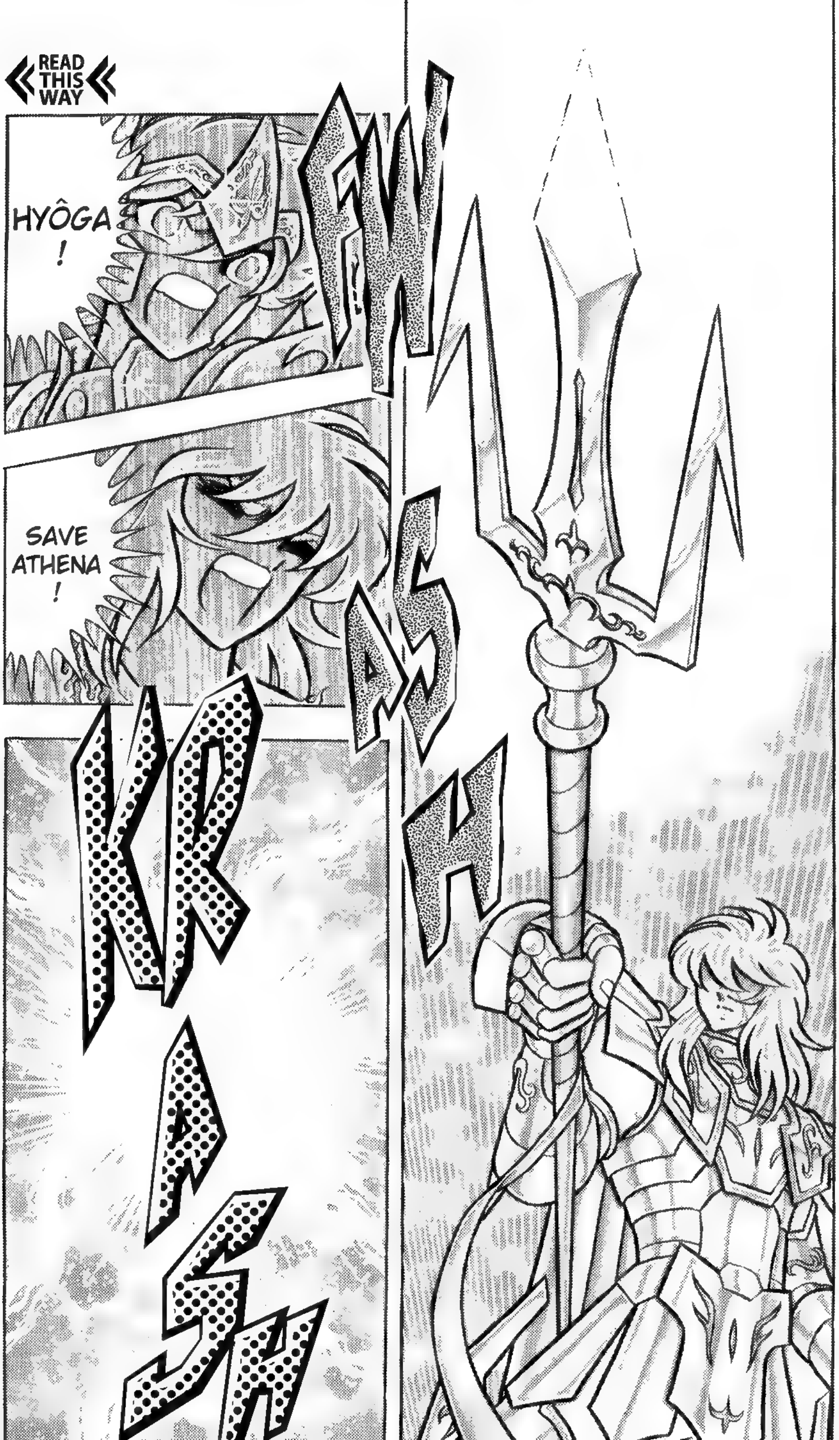
SEIYA! WHAT'S THAT RUMBLING?
IT'S THE NORTH ATLANTIC PILLAR!
LOOKS LIKE IKKI'S COME THROUGH!
WE'LL HAVE ATHENA OUT SOON!!
PRIN-CESS SIENNA!
FWASH

AARGH !!
TH...THIS HUGE COSMO BEHIND ME... D-DON'T TELL ME...
UNNH... WH...WHAT WAS THAT... THAT LIGHTNING BOLT?

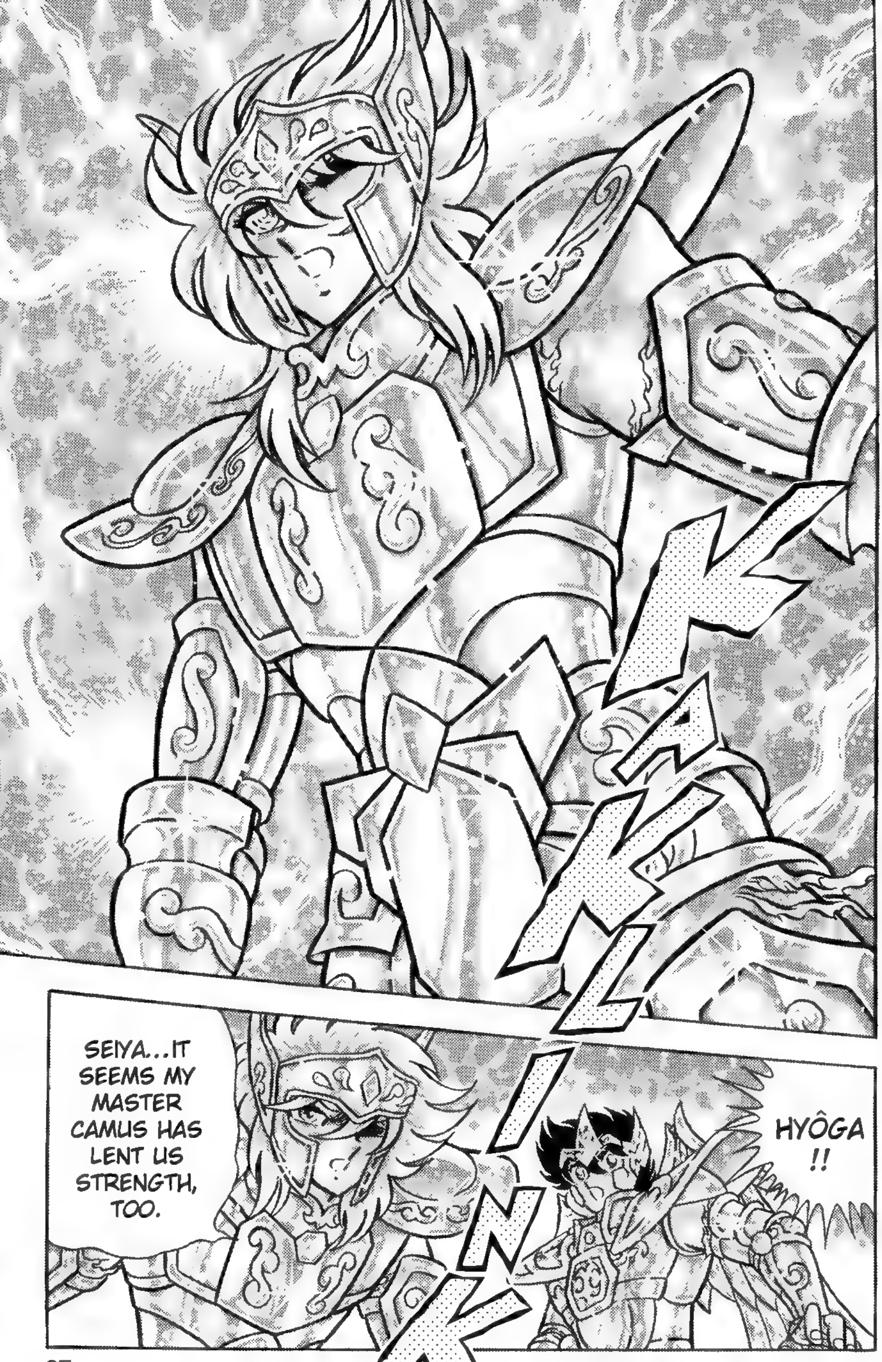
POSEI-
DON!!
AT LEAST I CAN STAND UP... THANKS TO THE GOLD CLOTH...
UNH... UGH...
NO... IT'S LIKE HE'S A DIFFERENT PERSON...
HIS COSMO IS **HUNDREDS** OF TIMES BIGGER!

I...I CAN'T GIVE UP NOW...
THE MAINSTAY IS RIGHT IN FRONT OF ME. I...I'VE GOT TO KEEP GOING...
FWA
SHA

AUGH!
NO!
UGH ...
HYÔGA!
S-SEIYA... I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU...WE'D BE YOUR SHIELD...
DON'T MIND US... JUST... RESCUE PRINCESS SIENNA.
HYÔGA!!
EVEN IF I DIE, I WON'T FALL. I'LL BE YOUR SHIELD.
NOW HURRY UP, SEIYA!

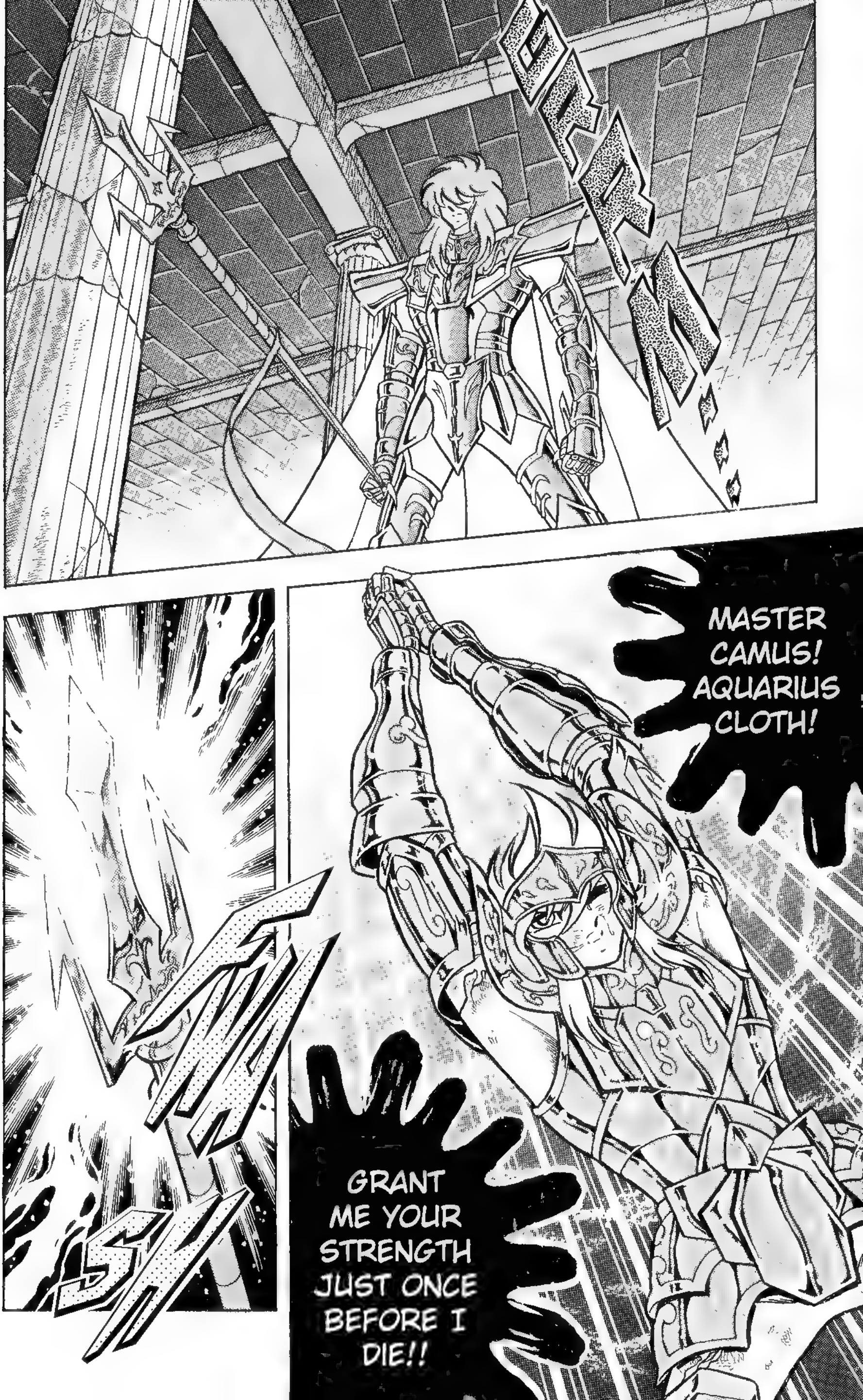

READ THIS WAY
HYÔGA!
SAVE ATHENA!
FWASH
KRAASH

WHAT THE...IT'S THE AQUARIUS GOLD CLOTH!!
FWOOOSH
IT PRO-TECTED US!!
KLAK
KLAK
KLAK
KAKLAKK


SEIYA...IT SEEMS MY MASTER CAMUS HAS LENT US STRENGTH, TOO.
HYÔGA !!

NOW GO!
I'LL HOLD THE FORT HERE! YOU HEAD STRAIGHT FOR THE MAINSTAY!
HURRY, SEIYA!!
HURRY! DESTROY THE MAINSTAY AND RESCUE PRINCESS SIENNA!
H... HYÔGA... DO YOU WANT TO *DIE*?
HYÔGA!

SHING
THE THREE ARROWS


MASTER CAMUS! AQUARIUS CLOTH!
GRANT ME YOUR STRENGTH JUST ONCE BEFORE I DIE!!

AURORA EXECU- TION!!

SSSH
HYÔGA !!
HYÔGA'S FROZEN AIR STOPPED POSEIDON'S TRIDENT!
NO... THEY'RE STILL PUSHING AGAINST EACH OTHER IN MID-AIR!
SHOOOOOOOM

KRA
THE FROZEN AIR'S GETTING PUSHED BACK! WE'LL BE HIT WITH THE FULL FORCE OF THE TRIDENT!
ARRGH...
GRR
HYÔGA !!
RAAH!!
WAAK

WHAT THE... SHIRYÛ ?
TH... THAT SHIELD ...
LIBRA'S SHIELD!!

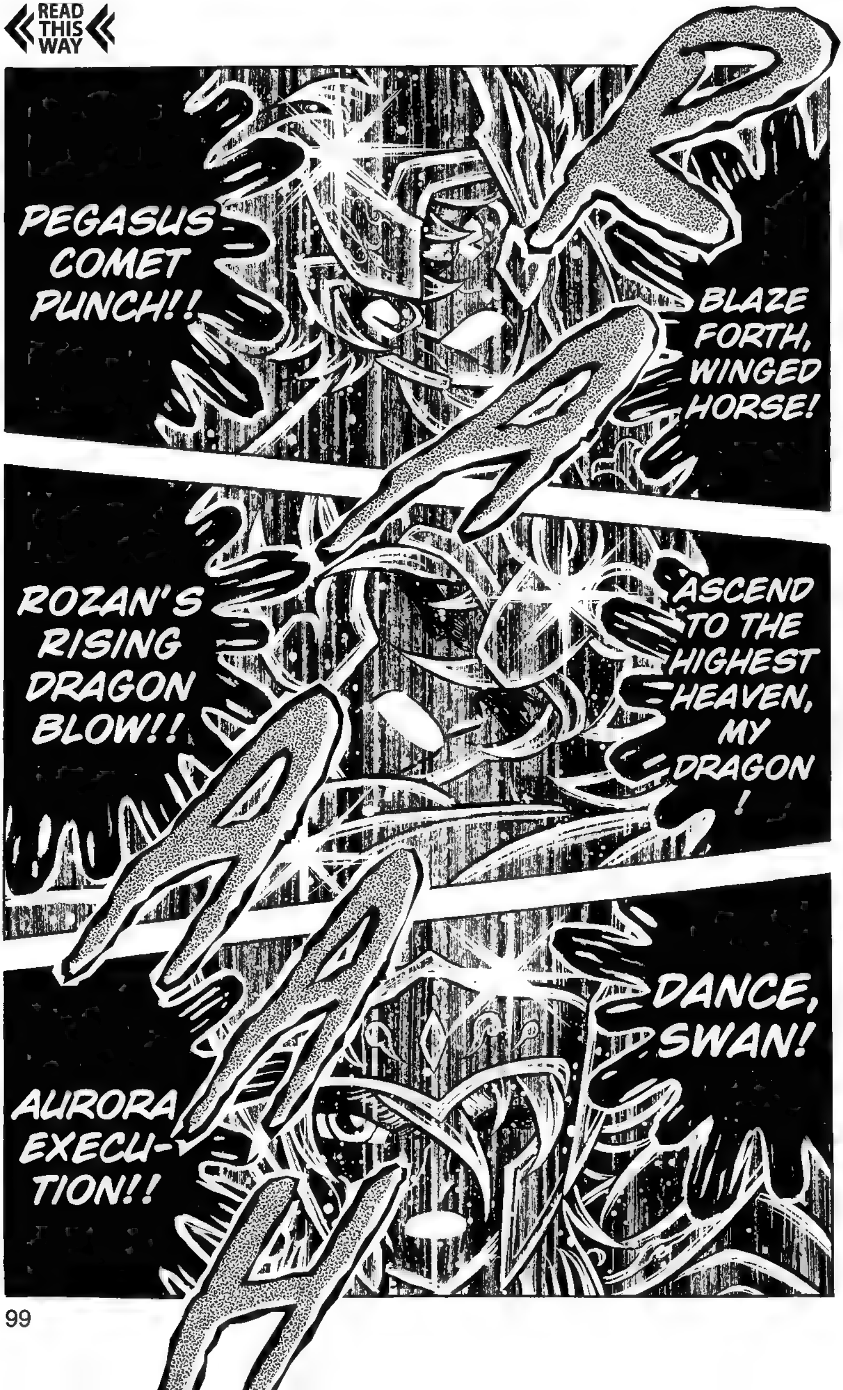
WHOA!
THAT'S THE LIBRA CLOTH!
KLAK
KLAK
KLAK
KLAKAKLAK

SHIRYÛ'S DONNED THE LIBRA CLOTH!

READ THIS WAY

IF WE COMBINE OUR STRENGTH, EVEN IF WE CAN'T TAKE HIM DOWN, WE CAN AT LEAST MAKE HIM FALTER!
YEAH! ONE ARROW CAN BE SNAPPED, BUT THREE ARROWS TOGETHER CAN'T BE BROKEN!
THAT'S THE MOMENT WHEN WE'LL RESCUE PRINCESS SIENNA!
THIS MAY BE OUR LAST CHANCE TO SLOW POSEIDON DOWN.
WE'LL THROW EVERYTHING WE'VE GOT LEFT AT HIM!
LET'S DO IT!!

READ THIS WAY



COSMOS, OUR COSMOS, BECOME A SINGLE ARROW! TAKE POSEIDON DOWN!

FWASH
YOU FOOLS.
IF YOU THREE WANT TO BECOME *ONE*, I SHALL GRANT YOUR WISH.

I SHALL SKEWER YOU TO-GETHER ON MY TRIDENT!
DIE !!
WHAT ?

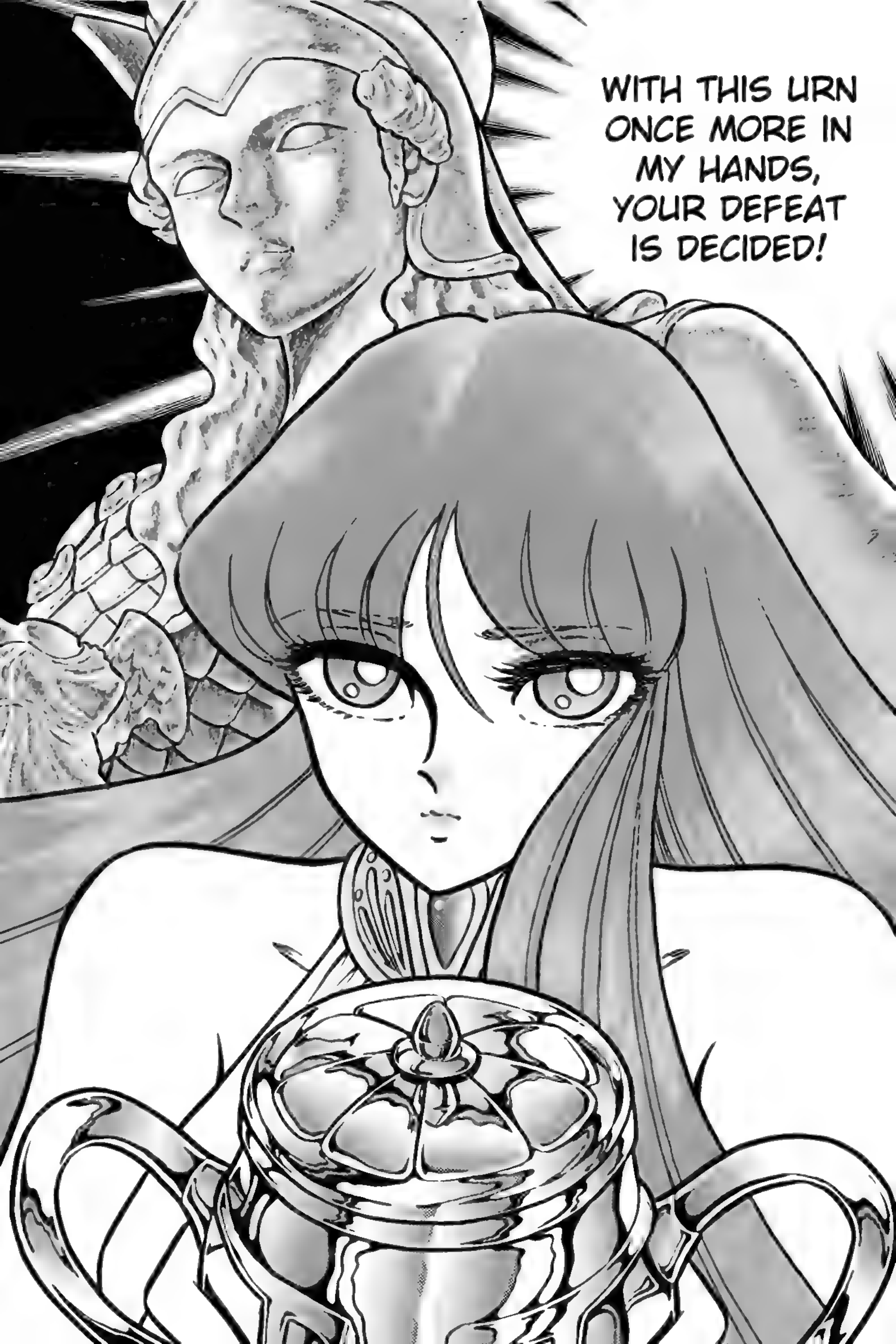
UNH!

WE...WE DID IT! POSEIDON'S GONE DOWN!!

GRRRRM
NOW'S OUR CHANCE, SHIRYÛ! POSEIDON'S KNOCKED OUT!
TIME TO RESCUE ATHENA!!
CAN YOU FEEL IT, SHIRYÛ? THE MAINSTAY'S RIGHT IN FRONT OF US...
DOOOM

ATHENA'S URN!!
THE END OF THE AZURE WAVES

SHIING
A... ATHENA'S URN!!
WHEREVER DID YOU FIND THE URN IN WHICH I SLEPT FOR SO LONG?
INSIDE THE MAINSTAY, OF COURSE. IRONIC, ISN'T IT, THAT THE URN AND I REAPPEAR BEFORE YOU TOGETHER?
WHAT?
NOW DO YOU UNDERSTAND, POSEIDON?


WITH THIS URN ONCE MORE IN MY HANDS, YOUR DEFEAT IS DECIDED!

READ THIS WAY

ZHAK
SEIYA!!
KRIK
I...I'LL SHOOT IT, EVEN AT THE COST OF MY LIFE...
THIS ARROW WILL PIERCE YOU WAY BEFORE YOUR TRIDENT REACHES PRINCESS SIENNA.
KRIK
KRIK
NO! YOU MUSTN'T, SEIYA!
I WAS BORN AS ATHENA, BUT JULIAN SOLO WAS POSSESSED BY POSEIDON'S SOUL AS A BOY!
POSEIDON IS MERELY BORROWING JULIAN'S BODY!
JULIAN HIMSELF IS INNOCENT! WE MUST NOT INJURE HIM!!
B...BUT... AT THIS RATE...

HA! HOW AMUSING! DO YOU TRULY BELIEVE THAT THE LIKES OF THAT ARROW CAN WOUND ME?
FWOOOSH
WHY DON'T YOU DIE WITH ATHENA, PEGASUS?
WOOM
FARE-WELL, ATHENA!!
POSEI-DON!!
UGH!
THUK

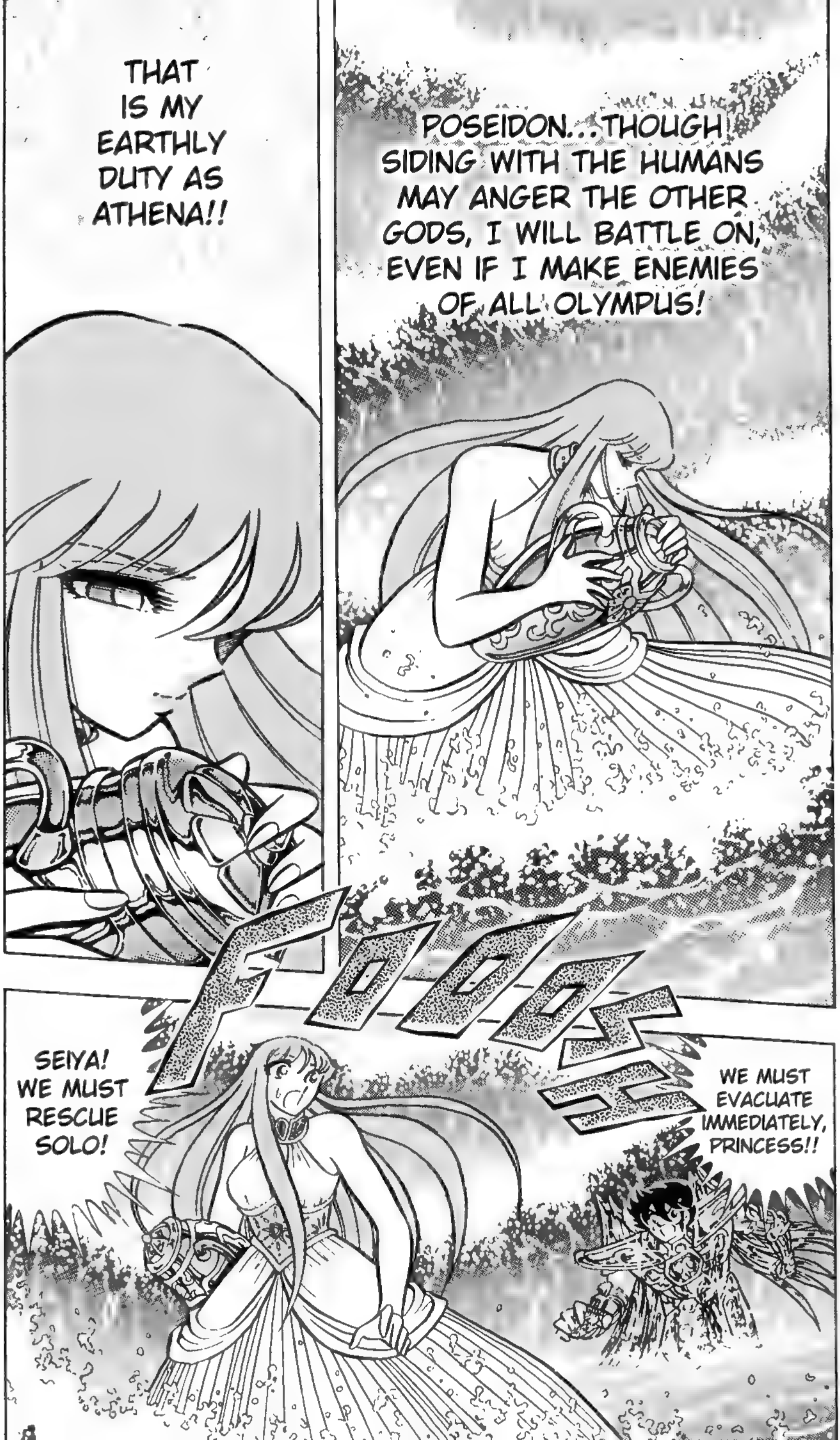
WH... WHAT?
UGH!
IT... IT'S...
... CANON!
CANON!
HEH ...

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
TH...THIS TRIDENT WAS MY FAULT TO BEGIN WITH... I WAS THE ONE WHO PULLED IT OUT OF THE ROCK...
I PROFANED THE GODS...I'M THE ONE WHO DESERVES TO BE SKEWERED...
AND...13 YEARS AGO...YOU SAVED MY LIFE COUNTLESS TIMES, ATHENA...
C... CANON ...
TH...THIS IS THE LEAST I COULD DO TO REPAY YOU...
A...ATHENA, THIS WAS ALL A RESULT OF MY FOOLISH CRIME...
P...PLEASE... PLEASE FORGIVE ME... A...ATHENA...
UNH !
CANON !!
CANON ...
SHAA

FWOOOOOSH
POSEIDON, YOU HAVE LOST.
THE MORTAL SEIYA AND HIS COMRADES PURSUED YOU THIS FAR.
IF YOU ARE A TRUE GOD, YOU OUGHT TO ACKNOWL-EDGE THEM...
...AND ADMIT DEFEAT.
UNH ...
NO... DON'T, ATHENA ...
YOUR AWAKENING IN THIS AGE WAS NOT OF YOUR OWN VOLITION, POSEIDON.
NOW GO BACK TO SLEEP ONCE MORE.

FWSH
SOMEDAY YOU WILL REGRET AIDING THOSE FOOLISH HUMANS! I PROMISE YOU!
S... STOP, ATHENA!

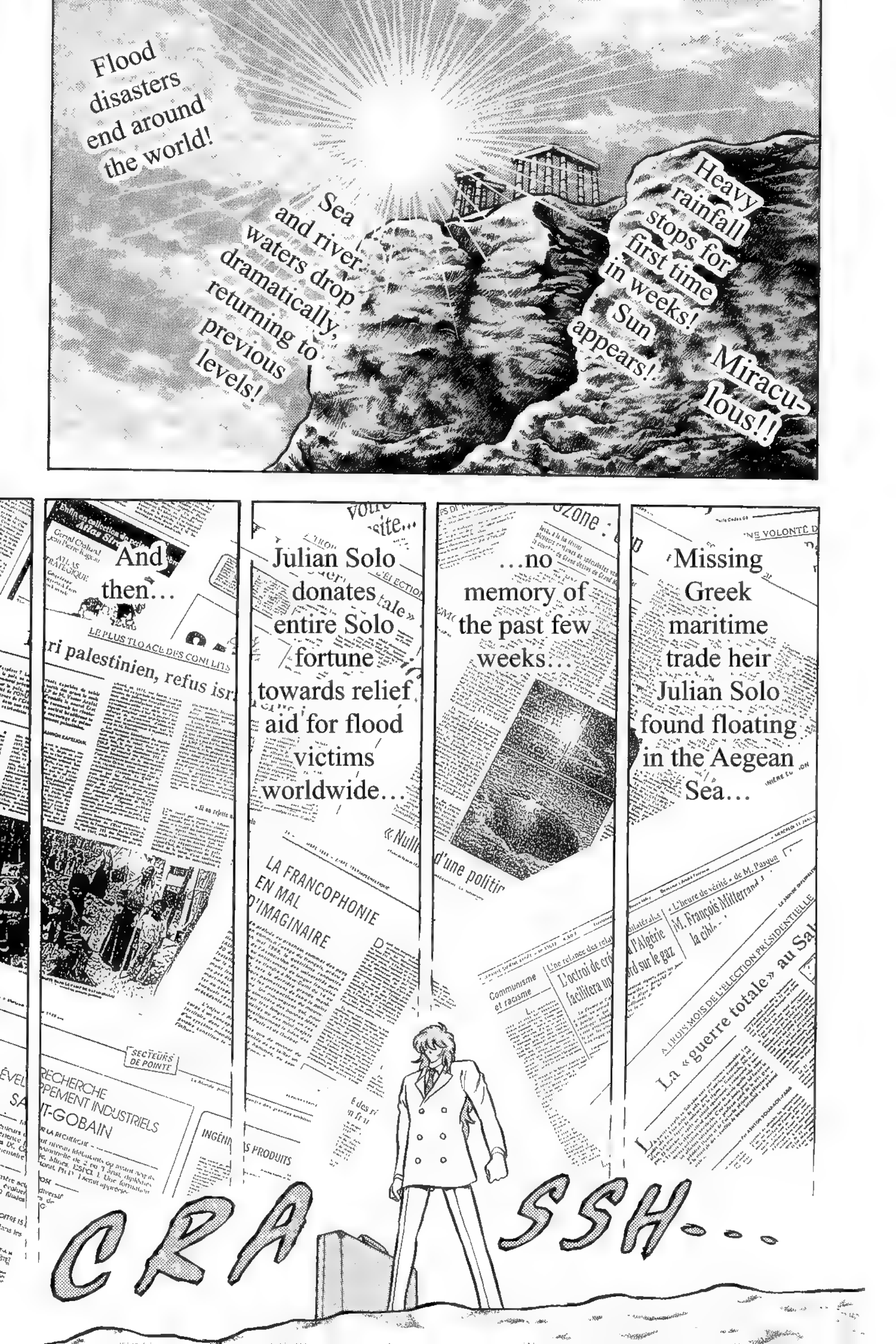
YOU YOURSELF WILL INCUR THE WRATH OF THE OTHER OLYMPIAN GODS! THEY WILL PUNISH YOU!
REMEM-BER THAT, ATHENA!
PAAAAAH
WHAT THE ...?
AN AURA WAS JUST SUCKED OUT OF JULIAN'S BODY!
WHOOSH

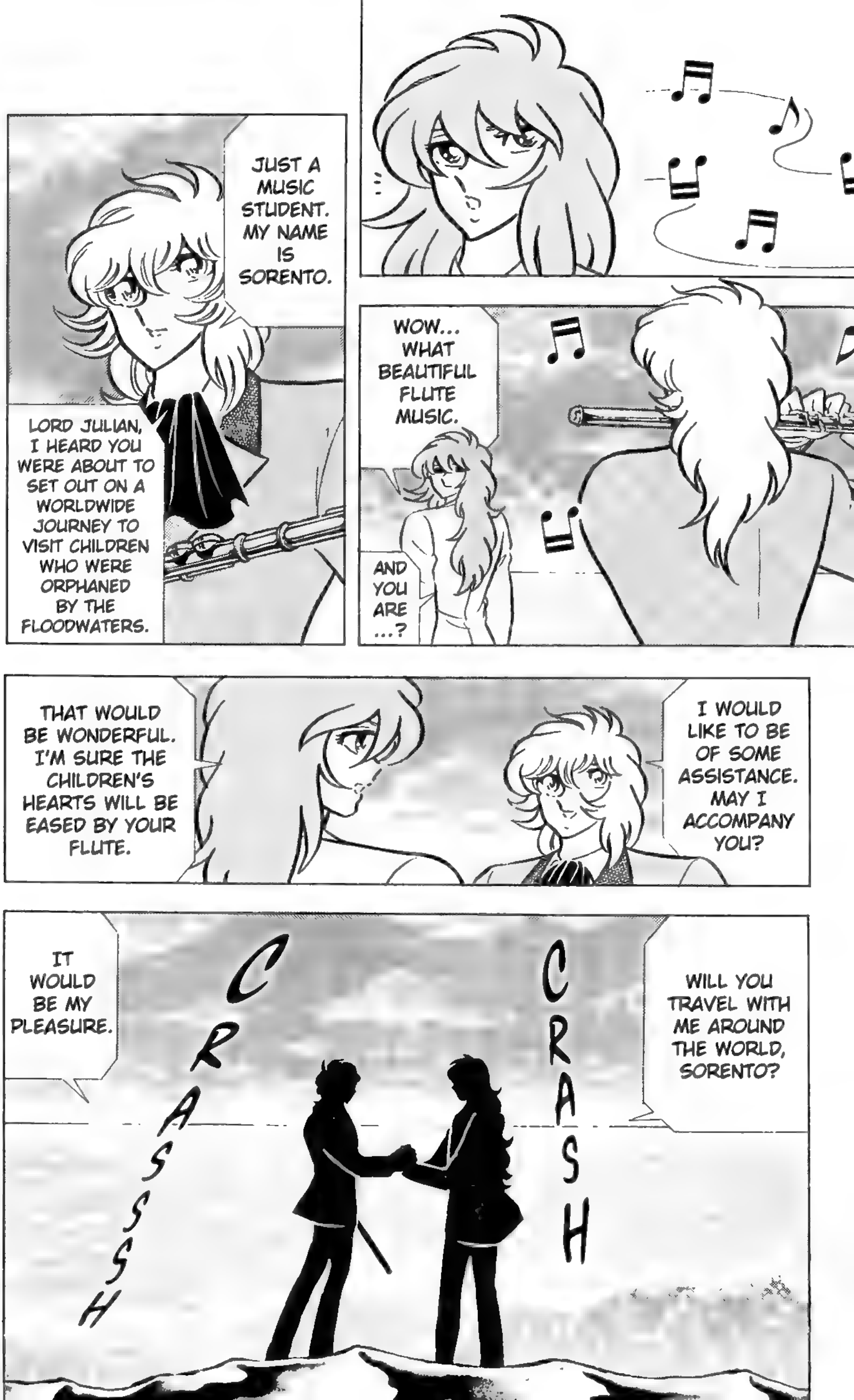

POSEIDON... THOUGH SIDING WITH THE HUMANS MAY ANGER THE OTHER GODS, I WILL BATTLE ON, EVEN IF I MAKE ENEMIES OF ALL OLYMPUS!
THAT IS MY EARTHLY DUTY AS ATHENA!!
FOOSH
WE MUST EVACUATE IMMEDIATELY, PRINCESS!!
SEIYA! WE MUST RESCUE SOLO!

SHF
DON'T WORRY.
BUT...
TETHYS!
YOU'RE...
THERE'S NO TIME! IF WE WAIT ANY LONGER, WE'LL BE SWEPT TO THE OCEAN FLOOR ALONG WITH THE TEMPLE!!
I SHALL ESCORT LORD JULIAN TO THE SURFACE, EVEN AT THE COST OF MY OWN LIFE.
THAT IS THE LEAST I CAN DO TO REPAY *HIM*, AS WELL...
HUH?
REPAY HIM?

FWAP
FWAP
LORD JULIAN SAVED MY LIFE ONCE, WHEN HE WAS BUT A BOY...
OH, YOU POOR THING... YOU GOT TANGLED IN SOMEONE'S OLD FISHING LINE.
FWAP
FWAP
WOW, YOU SURE ARE PRETTY. I'VE NEVER SEEN SUCH A BEAUTIFUL FISH BEFORE...
HOLD STILL SO I CAN FREE YOU.
HA HA...
THE MERMAIDS I READ ABOUT IN MY BOOKS PROBABLY HAVE SCALES LIKE THAT.
THERE YOU ARE. NOW GO ON HOME, AND NEVER GET CAUGHT AGAIN, OKAY?
SHING

FOOM
WHOA!
WATCH OUT, PRINCESS !!
IT CAN'T BE...
ARE YOU SAYING THAT FISH...


Heavy rainfall stops for first time in weeks! Sun appears!
Miraculous!!
Sea and river waters drop dramatically, returning to previous levels!
Flood disasters end around the world!
Missing Greek maritime trade heir Julian Solo found floating in the Aegean Sea…
…no memory of the past few weeks…
Julian Solo donates entire Solo fortune towards relief aid for flood victims worldwide…
And then…
CRASSH…


WOW... WHAT BEAUTIFUL FLUTE MUSIC.
AND YOU ARE ...?
JUST A MUSIC STUDENT. MY NAME IS SORENTO.
LORD JULIAN, I HEARD YOU WERE ABOUT TO SET OUT ON A WORLDWIDE JOURNEY TO VISIT CHILDREN WHO WERE ORPHANED BY THE FLOODWATERS.
I WOULD LIKE TO BE OF SOME ASSISTANCE. MAY I ACCOMPANY YOU?
THAT WOULD BE WONDERFUL. I'M SURE THE CHILDREN'S HEARTS WILL BE EASED BY YOUR FLUTE.
WILL YOU TRAVEL WITH ME AROUND THE WORLD, SORENTO?
CRASH
IT WOULD BE MY PLEASURE.
CRASSSSH

READ THIS WAY

AT...AT LEAST LET ME RETURN YOU TO THE SEA.
YOU BELONG IN THE OCEAN. DON'T...DON'T EVER COME ONTO LAND AGAIN, YOU HEAR?
SHAAAA...

SAINT SEIYA
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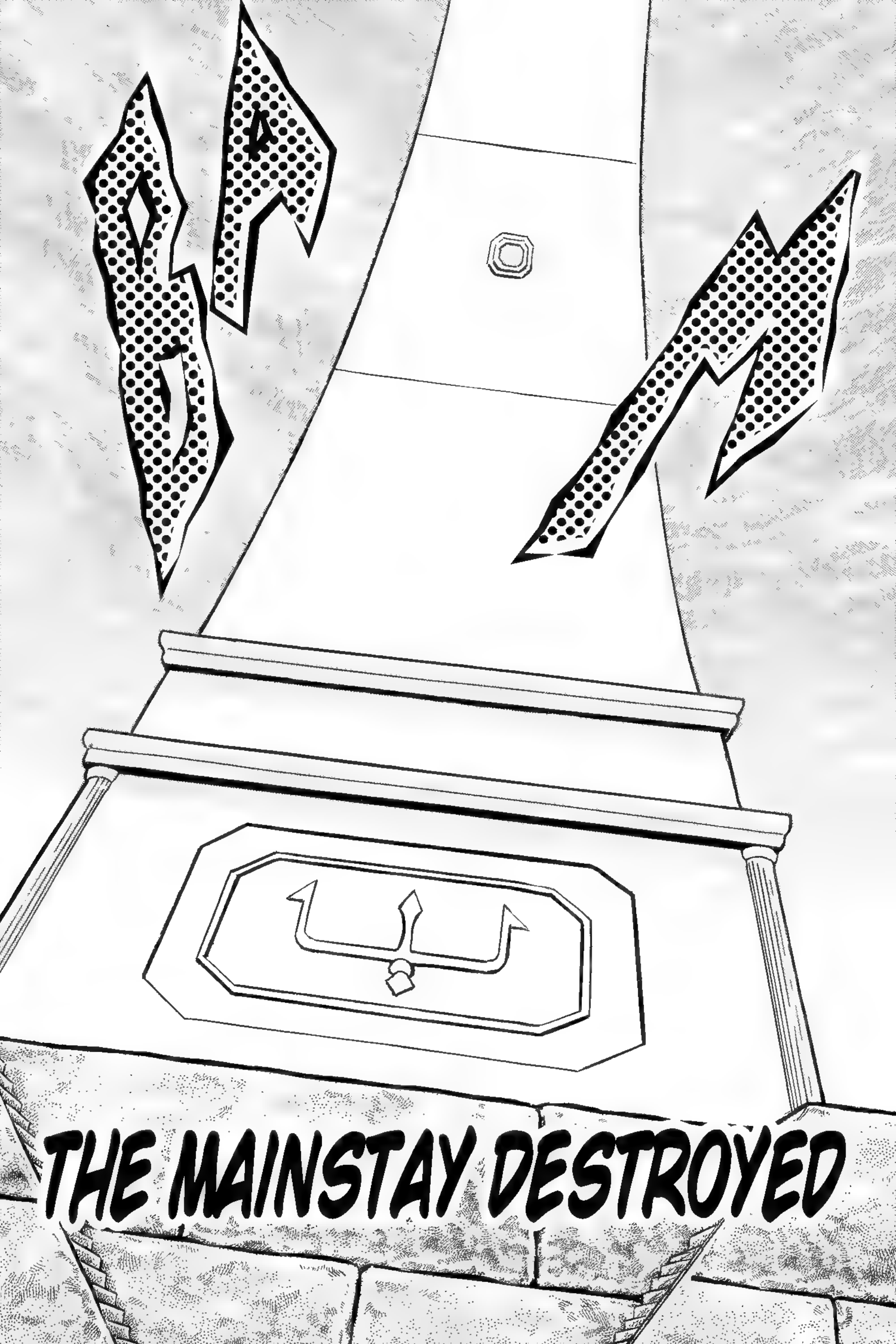
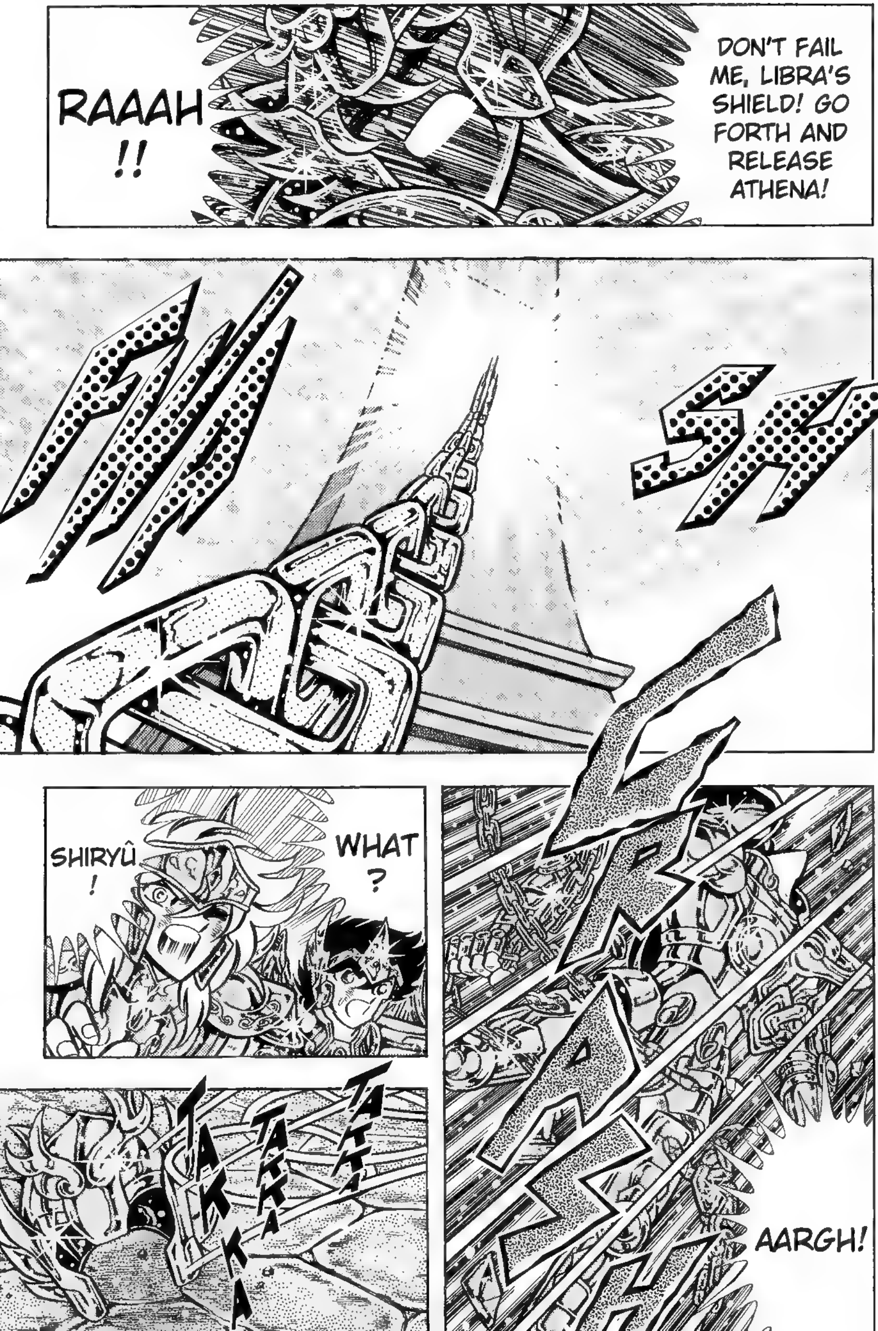
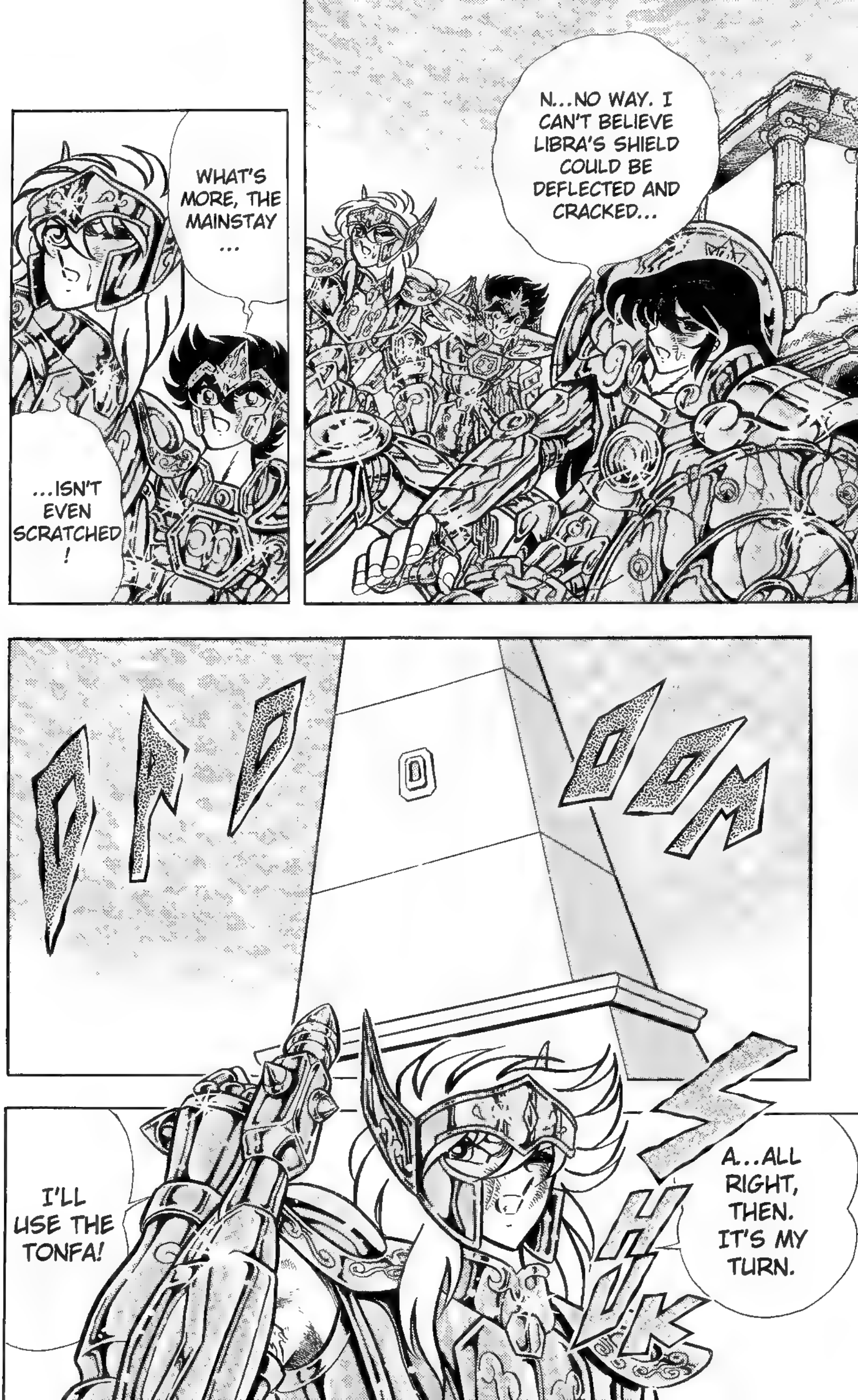

THE MAINSTAY DESTROYED

I...I CAN TELL. EVEN THOUGH I CAN'T SEE RIGHT NOW, I CAN TELL WE'RE AT THE MAINSTAY!
SHAA
EVEN BLIND, I WOULD NEVER LET IT OUT OF MY SIGHT!

READ THIS WAY



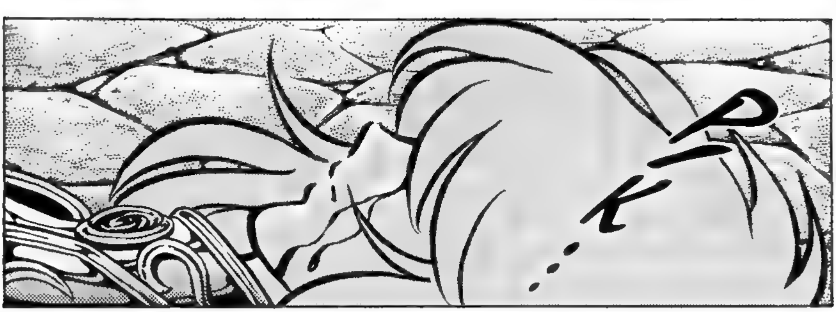

N...NO WAY. I CAN'T BELIEVE LIBRA'S SHIELD COULD BE DEFLECTED AND CRACKED...
WHAT'S MORE, THE MAINSTAY ...
...ISN'T EVEN SCRATCHED !
DOOM
A...ALL RIGHT, THEN. IT'S MY TURN.
I'LL USE THE TONFA!
SHUK

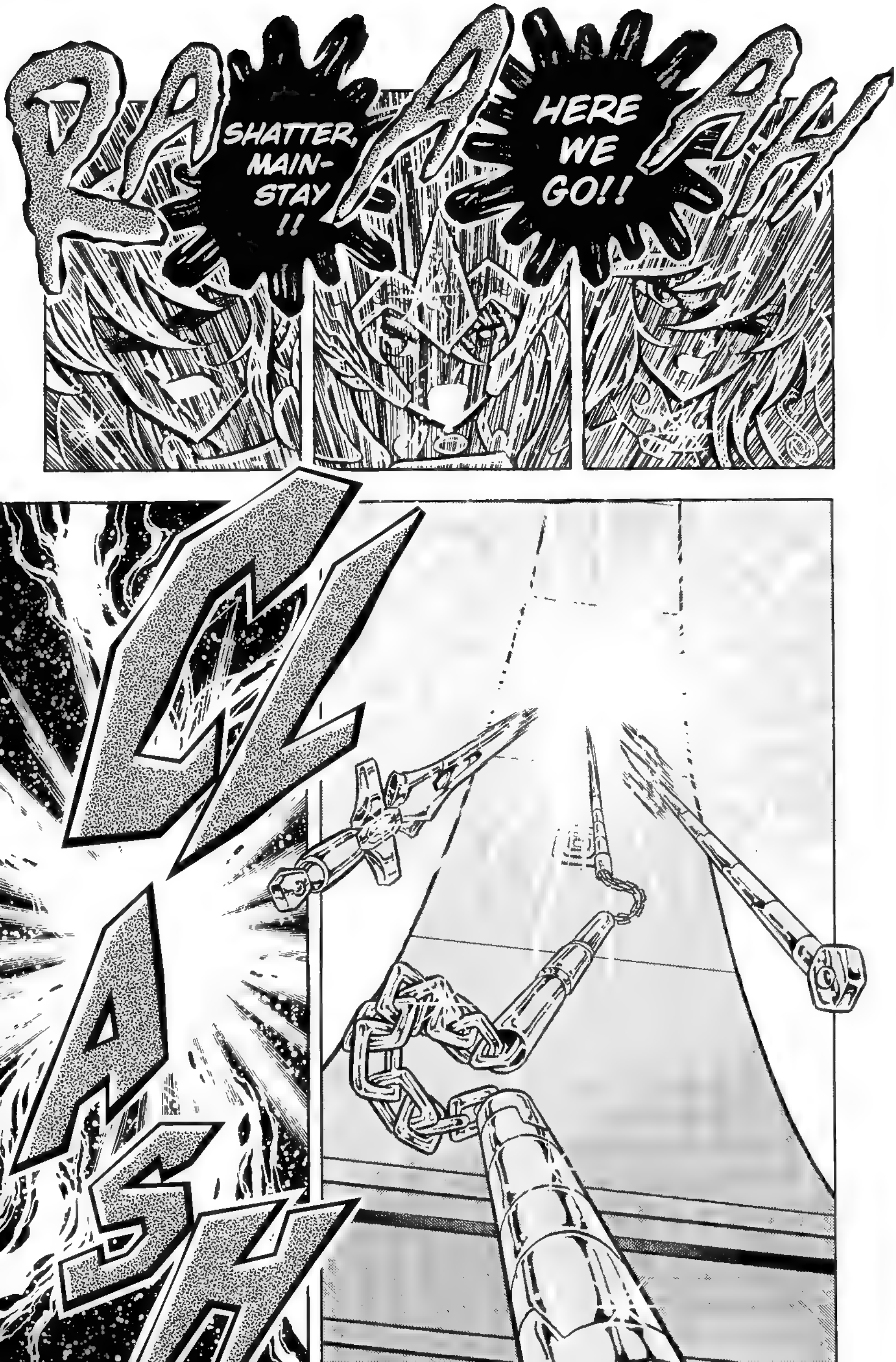
RAAAH!
FWASH
WAAAH!
HYÔGA!!
I... IT'S THE SAME...
IT WAS DEFLECTED WITHOUT EVEN SCRATCHING THE PILLAR!!

THAT'S CRAZY! LIBRA'S WEAPONS DESTROYED THE OTHER SEVEN PILLARS!
WHAT ABOUT THESE TWIN RODS?
I... IT'S NO GOOD! STILL NO MARK!!
SEIYA !!

READ THIS WAY
ARE LIBRA'S WEAPONS USELESS AGAINST THE MAINSTAY?
NO... IT'S TOO EARLY TO GIVE UP YET.
THERE ARE SIX DIFFERENT LIBRA WEAPONS.
THAT'S RIGHT. THERE MUST BE *SOMETHING* THAT WILL WORK.
SPEAR!!
TRIPLE RODS!!
SWORD!!
THESE ARE THE THREE REMAINING WEAPONS!!

NO MATTER HOW SOLID THE MAINSTAY MAY BE, THERE'S GOT TO BE A WAY TO DESTROY IT!!
ZHAK
YEAH! WE KNOCKED DOWN POSEIDON BY COMBINING OUR COSMOS!
THERE'S NO TIME LEFT! LET'S GO AT IT TOGETHER!




HERE WE GO!!
SHATTER, MAIN-STAY !!

UGH!
GRP
WHAT'S THE MATTER, PHOENIX?
I TOLD YOU, YOU WASTED YOUR BEST AND ONLY CHANCE TO DEFEAT ME!
NOW THAT POSEIDON IS FULLY AWAKENED, THE EARTH WILL BE DESTROYED!
EVERYONE EXCEPT THOSE CHOSEN BY THE SEA GOD WILL BE SWALLOWED BY THE WATERS!

THUK
THUK
I'LL NEVER FORGIVE YOU URCHINS WHO WRECKED MY LONG-LAID PLANS!!
MY OWN AMBITIONS ARE DEAD!
THUK
THUK
AARGH ...
AT LEAST I CAN TAKE *YOUR* MEASLY LIFE DOWN WITH ME, PHOENIX!

UNH!
I...I CAN'T. TOO MUCH DIFFERENCE IN STRENGTH ...
H...HE'S STRONG... HIS STRENGTH MIRRORS SAGA'S, TOO.
UGH... UNH...
HEH.
I GUESS I'M GONNA DIE HERE...J...JUST LIKE HE SAID...
UNH!
THAT'S RIGHT. DIE, PHOENIX!

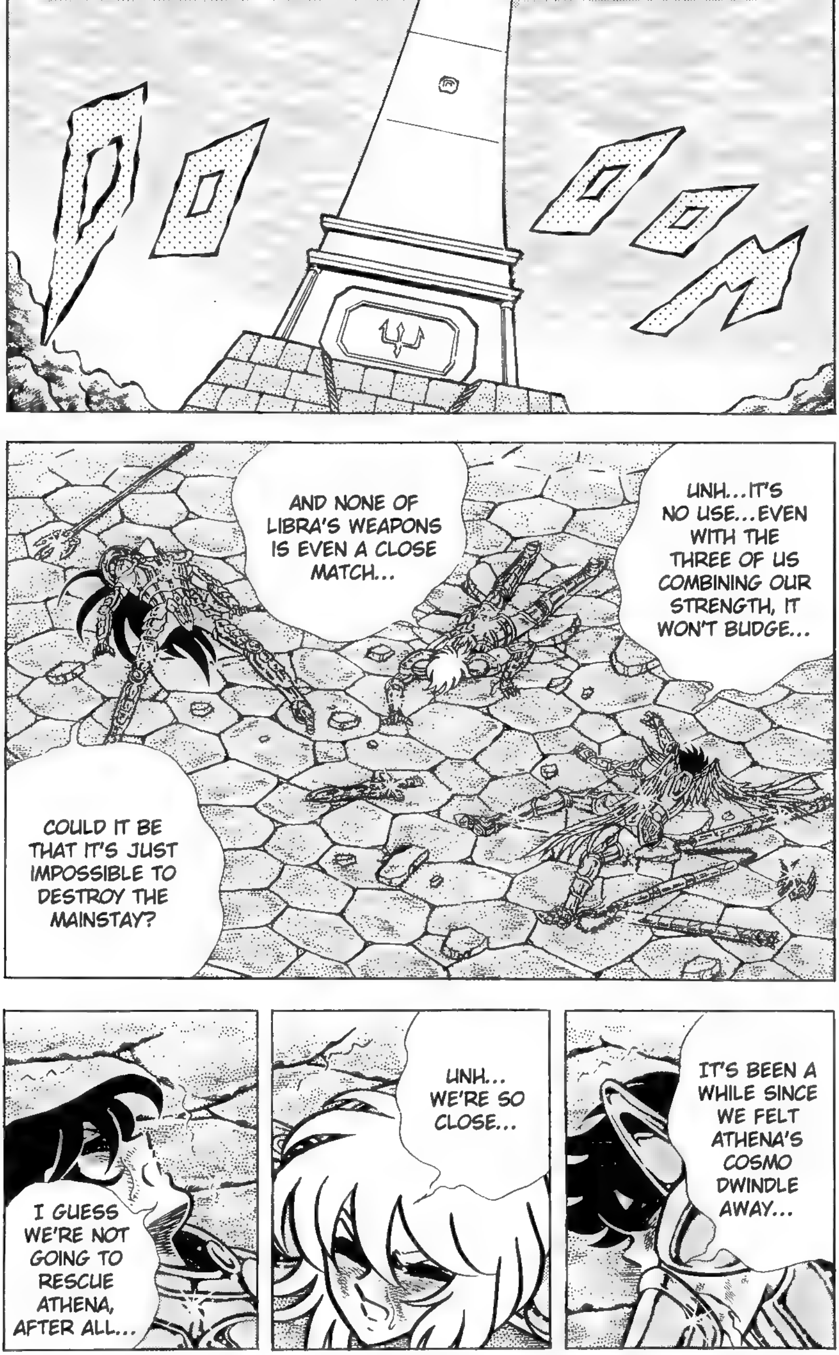
SIREN...
Y... YOU'RE STILL HERE?
...AFTER HELPING THE KNIGHTS DESTROY THE NORTH ATLANTIC PILLAR, YOU'RE TRYING TO SAVE PHOENIX, TOO!
DON'T TELL ME...
UNH ...

I'M NOT INTERESTED IN SAVING PHOENIX...
...BUT I PLAN TO TAKE YOU DOWN, CANON!
I SENTENCE YOU TO DEATH FOR DECEIVING ALL THOSE MARINERS WHO FOUGHT AND DIED FOR YOU, BELIEVING THEY WERE HELPING LORD POSEIDON CREATE A PURIFIED WORLD!
APOLOGIZE TO THEM IN THE AFTERLIFE, CANON!
UNH!

ZAKK
W... WAIT, SIREN.
HUH?
I...I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU I STILL HAD SOMETHING TO ASK HIM...
hff
hff
hff
D... DON'T INTER-FERE...
D...DID YOU FORGET? I WANT TO KNOW HOW TO SEAL POSEIDON AWAY...
hff
hff
WH... WHAT?

FOOL! IT'S TOO LATE FOR THAT!!
THERE'S NOTHING WE MORTALS CAN DO NOW! HE'S A GOD!
HE'S BEYOND ANYONE'S REACH!
NO... THERE'S STILL ONE HOPE...
WHAT ?
ATHENA'S URN!
WHAT ?
A... ATHENA'S URN?

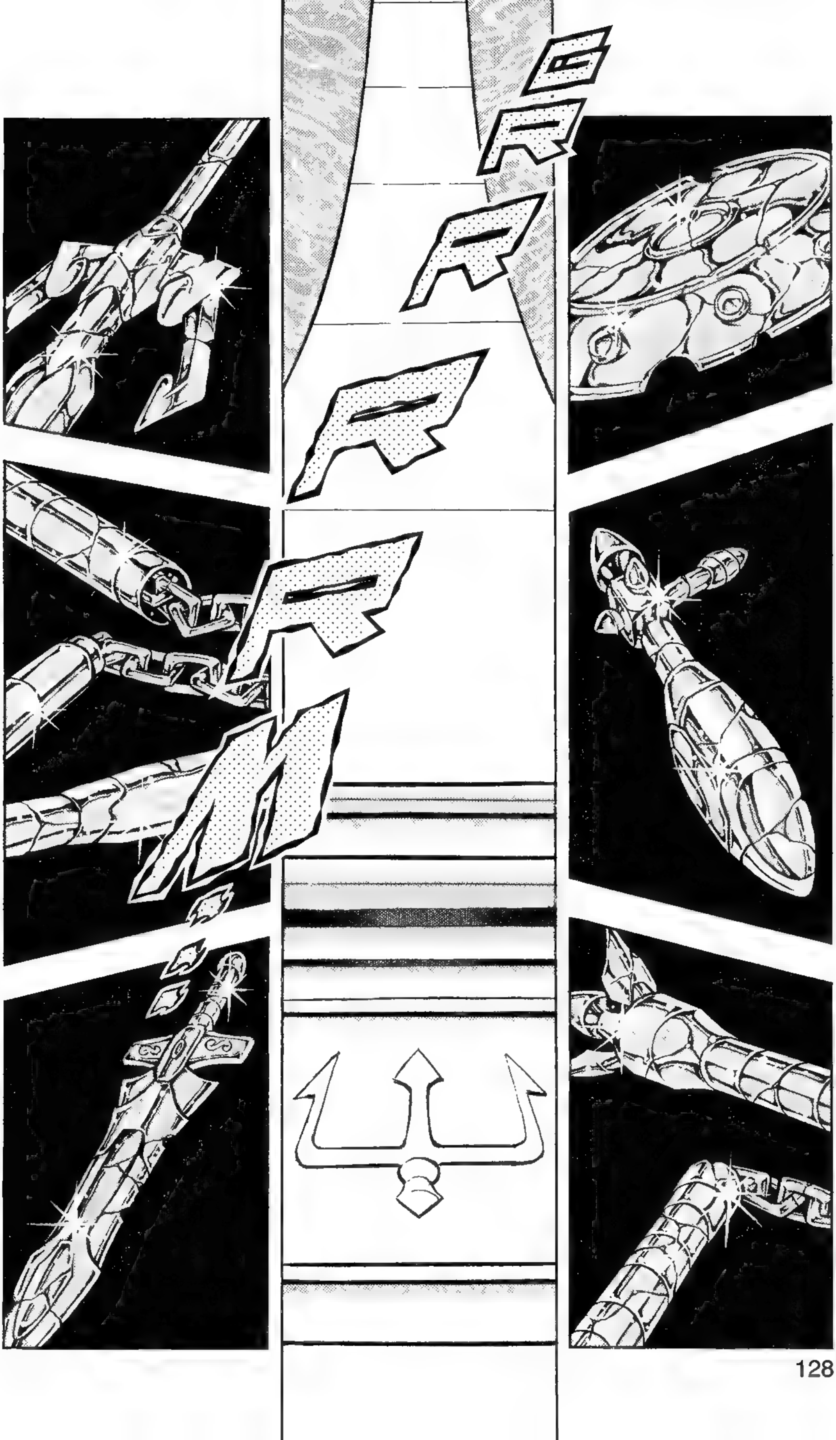
THAT'S RIGHT, CANON. ATHENA'S URN...
...FROM WHICH YOU RELEASED POSEIDON'S SPIRIT 13 YEARS AGO!
TO SEAL POSEIDON AWAY, WE MUST TRAP HIS SOUL BACK INSIDE ATHENA'S URN!
UNNH ...
THE URN... WHERE DID YOU HIDE ATHENA'S URN?
NOW SPILL IT, CANON!
UNH ...
UNTIL YOU TELL ME, I CAN'T HAND OVER MY LIFE TO YOU!


DOOM
UNH...IT'S NO USE...EVEN WITH THE THREE OF US COMBINING OUR STRENGTH, IT WON'T BUDGE...
AND NONE OF LIBRA'S WEAPONS IS EVEN A CLOSE MATCH...
COULD IT BE THAT IT'S JUST IMPOSSIBLE TO DESTROY THE MAINSTAY?
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE WE FELT ATHENA'S COSMO DWINDLE AWAY...
UNH... WE'RE SO CLOSE...
I GUESS WE'RE NOT GOING TO RESCUE ATHENA, AFTER ALL...

READ THIS WAY
N...NO... WE CAN'T COME THIS FAR AND GIVE UP...
G R R
IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT POSEIDON. IF ATHENA...IF PRINCESS SIENNA DIES, ALL THE EVIL IN THE WORLD WILL RUN WILD...
WHEN THAT HAPPENS, THIS WORLD WILL TURN INTO A WORLD OF DARKNESS.
WE KNIGHTS HAVE TO DEFEND WORLD PEACE AND ATHENA!
DIDN'T WE SWEAR TO RESCUE PRINCESS SIENNA FROM THE MAINSTAY, EVEN AT THE COST OF OUR OWN LIVES?
S... SEIYA ...
D...DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE...

HYÔGA, YOUR DIAMOND DUST!
SHIRYÛ, YOUR ROZAN'S RISING DRAGON BLOW!
USE THEIR FORCE TO THROW ME AT THE MAINSTAY!!
IF WE DO THAT, YOU'LL BE SMASHED TO BITS AGAINST THE PILLAR!
NO! DO YOU HAVE A DEATH WISH, SEIYA?

THAT'S RIGHT. LOOK AT HOW LIBRA'S WEAPONS, WHICH CAN CRUSH STARS, ENDED UP...
DOOM
IF YOU HIT IT WITH YOUR BODY, IT WON'T MATTER HOW MANY LIVES YOU'VE GOT...



READ THIS WAY
HAVE YOU TWO FORGOTTEN? ALL MATTER ON THIS EARTH IS COMPOSED OF ATOMS...
WHAT?
SEIYA...
NOT JUST HUMANS, BUT ALL OF THE EARTH'S CREA-TURES...
...AND FLOWERS, STONES, EVEN THE COUNTLESS STARS THAT SHINE IN THE NIGHT SKY...THEY'RE ALL MADE OF ATOMS. YOU SHOULD'VE BEEN TAUGHT THAT DURING OUR TRAINING FOR KNIGHTHOOD...

WHEN WE DESTROY SOMETHING, WE'RE BASICALLY CRUSHING THE ATOMS WITHIN THAT OBJECT.
NO MATTER HOW SOLID THE MAINSTAY IS, IT'S MADE OF ATOMS, TOO!
IF A KNIGHT ELEVATES HIS COSMO TO ITS MAXIMUM AND CRUSHES THE PILLAR'S ATOMS, THERE'S NO WAY IT WON'T COME DOWN!!
SEIYA!

READ THIS WAY
BOTH OF YOU, LEND ME YOUR STRENGTH! I SWEAR I'LL CRUSH THE MAINSTAY'S ATOMS!
I'LL RESCUE PRINCESS SIENNA!
SEIYA ...
SEIYA ...

NOW SPILL IT, CANON! WHERE'S ATHENA'S URN?
YOU'VE GOT TO TELL ME!
YOU OWE ATHENA A HOLY FAVOR.
WHAT?
I OWE *HER*?
YEAH, RIGHT! WHAT THE HECK DO I OWE ATHENA?
WAKE UP, CANON!
YOU OF ALL PEOPLE OUGHT TO KNOW!!
WHAT?

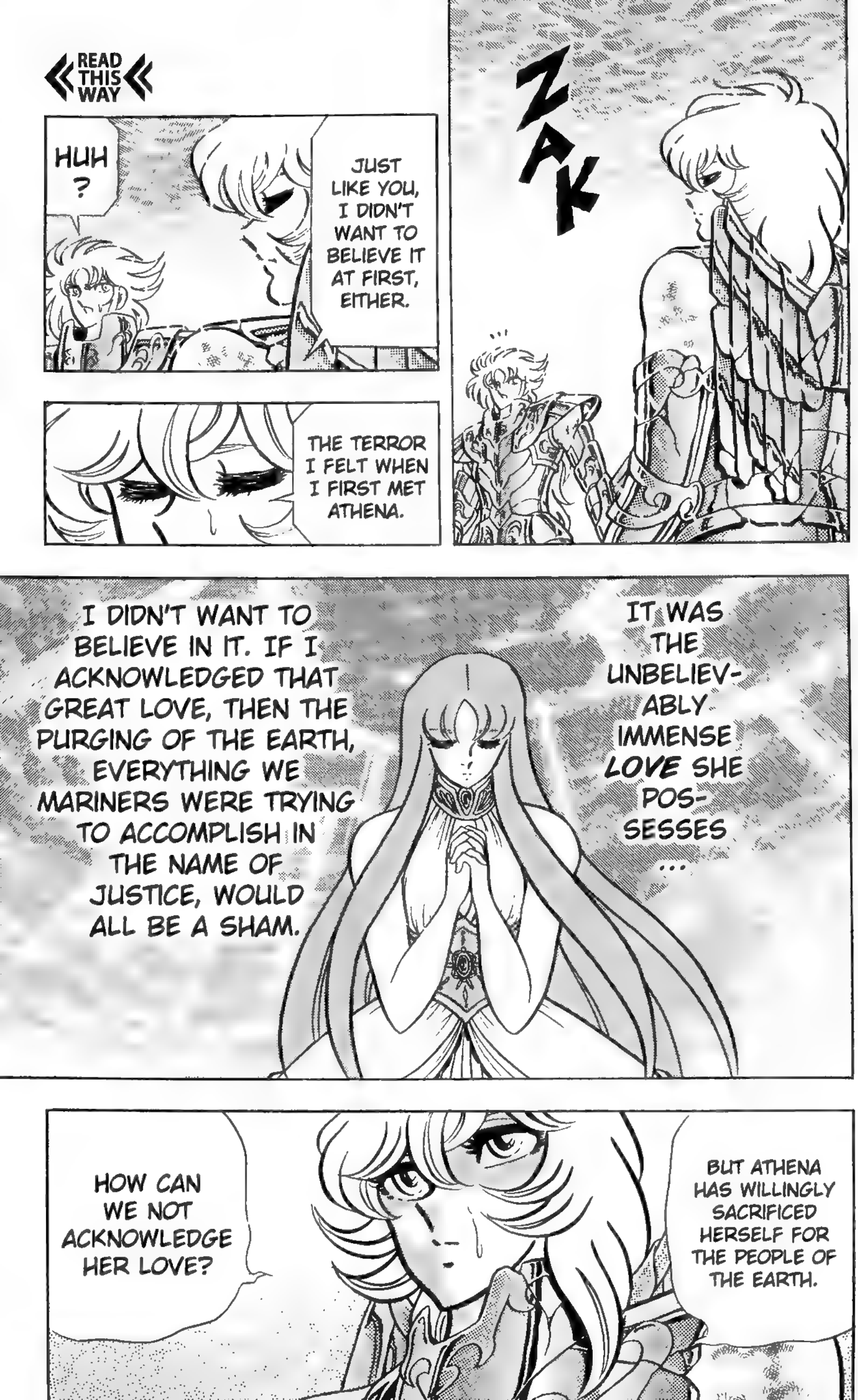
THE COSMO THAT SAVED YOU COUNTLESS TIMES WHEN YOU SWUNG BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH IN CAPE SUNION'S STONE PRISON, 13 YEARS AGO...
YOU MUST'VE SENSED ATHENA'S IMMENSE COSMO AT LEAST A FEW TIMES SINCE SHE CAME TO THIS UNDERWATER SANCTUARY!
I'M NOT GOING TO LET YOU DENY RECOGNIZING THAT COSMO.
UNH ...
THAT'S RIGHT, CANON.

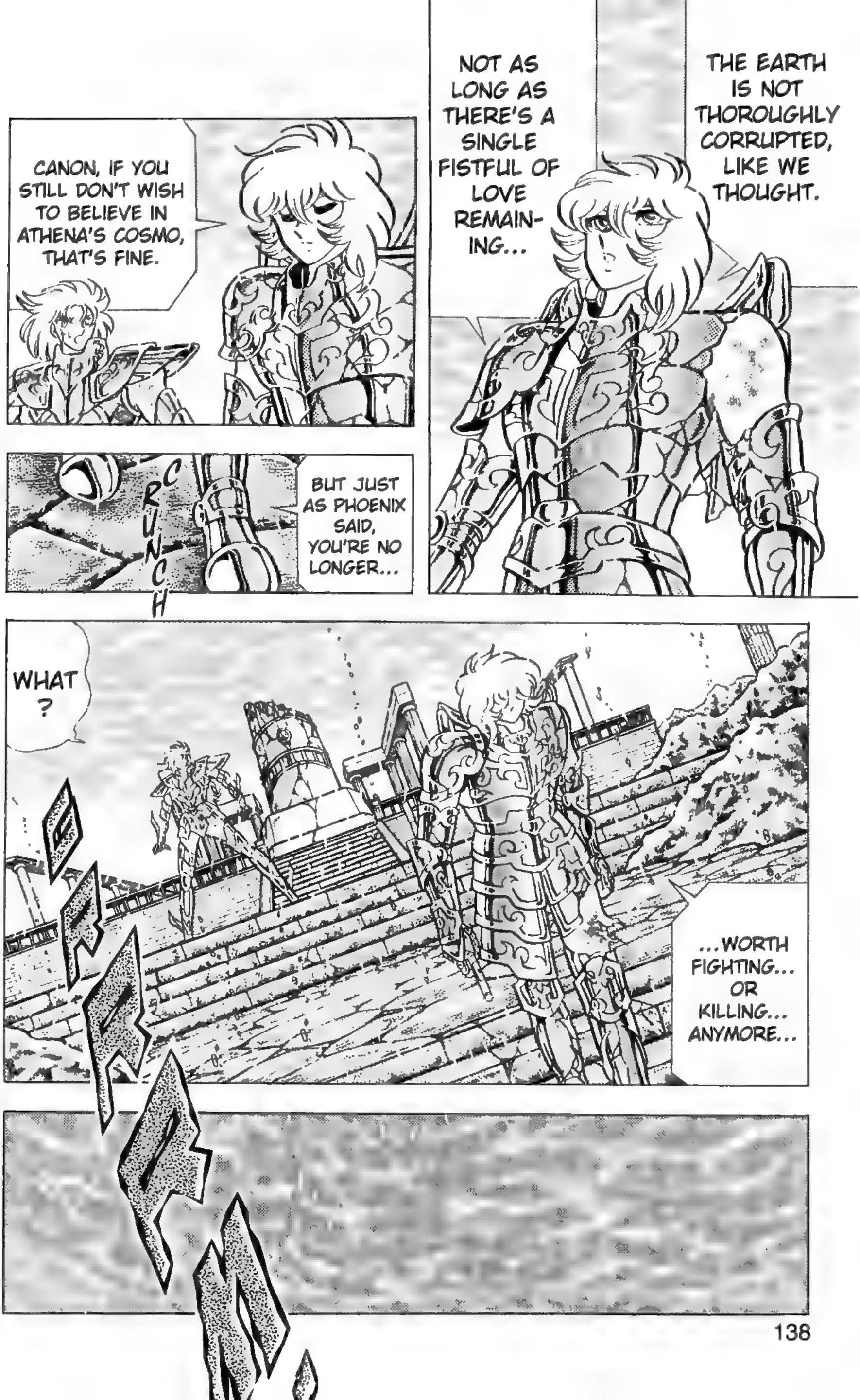
N... NO ...
UNNH ...
THAT'S RIGHT! AT CAPE SUNION, YOUR LIFE WAS SAVED BY ATHENA'S MIGHTY COSMO!
SH...SHUT UP! YOU'RE SAYING I WAS SAVED BY AN *INFANT*?
DO YOU REALLY EXPECT ME TO BELIEVE THAT?
FINE...IF YOU REALLY WANT TO KNOW WHERE ATHENA'S URN IS, I'LL TELL YOU!
BUT GET READY FOR TRUE DESPAIR!!

READ THIS WAY

BOTH ATHENA AND HER URN ARE TRAPPED INSIDE THE MAINSTAY FOR ALL ETERNITY! BWA HA HA!
THE MAINSTAY IS THE MOST IMPENETRABLE LOCATION IN THIS UNDERWATER SANCTUARY!!
ONCE THE URN WAS INSIDE IT, NO ONE COULD TAKE IT!
BAM
WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING, PHOENIX?
UGH!
WAIT, PHOENIX!
CANON, YOU'RE NO LONGER EVEN WORTH FIGHTING!
TRYING TO RUN AWAY, HUH?
WH... WHAT ?

READ THIS WAY




THE EARTH IS NOT THOROUGHLY CORRUPTED, LIKE WE THOUGHT.
NOT AS LONG AS THERE'S A SINGLE FISTFUL OF LOVE REMAIN-ING...
CANON, IF YOU STILL DON'T WISH TO BELIEVE IN ATHENA'S COSMO, THAT'S FINE.
BUT JUST AS PHOENIX SAID, YOU'RE NO LONGER...
CRUNCH
...WORTH FIGHTING... OR KILLING... ANYMORE...
WHAT?

YOU TWO, THROW ME AT THE MAINSTAY!!
HURRY !!
SHUP
BUT DON'T YOU DARE DIE, SEIYA.
ALL RIGHT... LET'S DO IT.
FWASH
RAAAAH!
HERE WE GO!!

WHAT?
WAAH!!
UNH... POSEI-DON'S BACK ON HIS FEET...
AND HIS COSMO'S GROWN EVEN *BIGGER*...
N... NOW HE REALLY *IS* UNTOUCH-ABLE...

READ THIS WAY

OH!
IKKI !!
SEIYA! ATHENA'S URN, THE ONLY THING THAT CAN SEAL POSEIDON AWAY, IS INSIDE THE MAINSTAY!
WHAT!
ATHENA'S URN?
THAT'S RIGHT! I'LL HOLD OFF POSEIDON! HURRY!!

READ THIS WAY

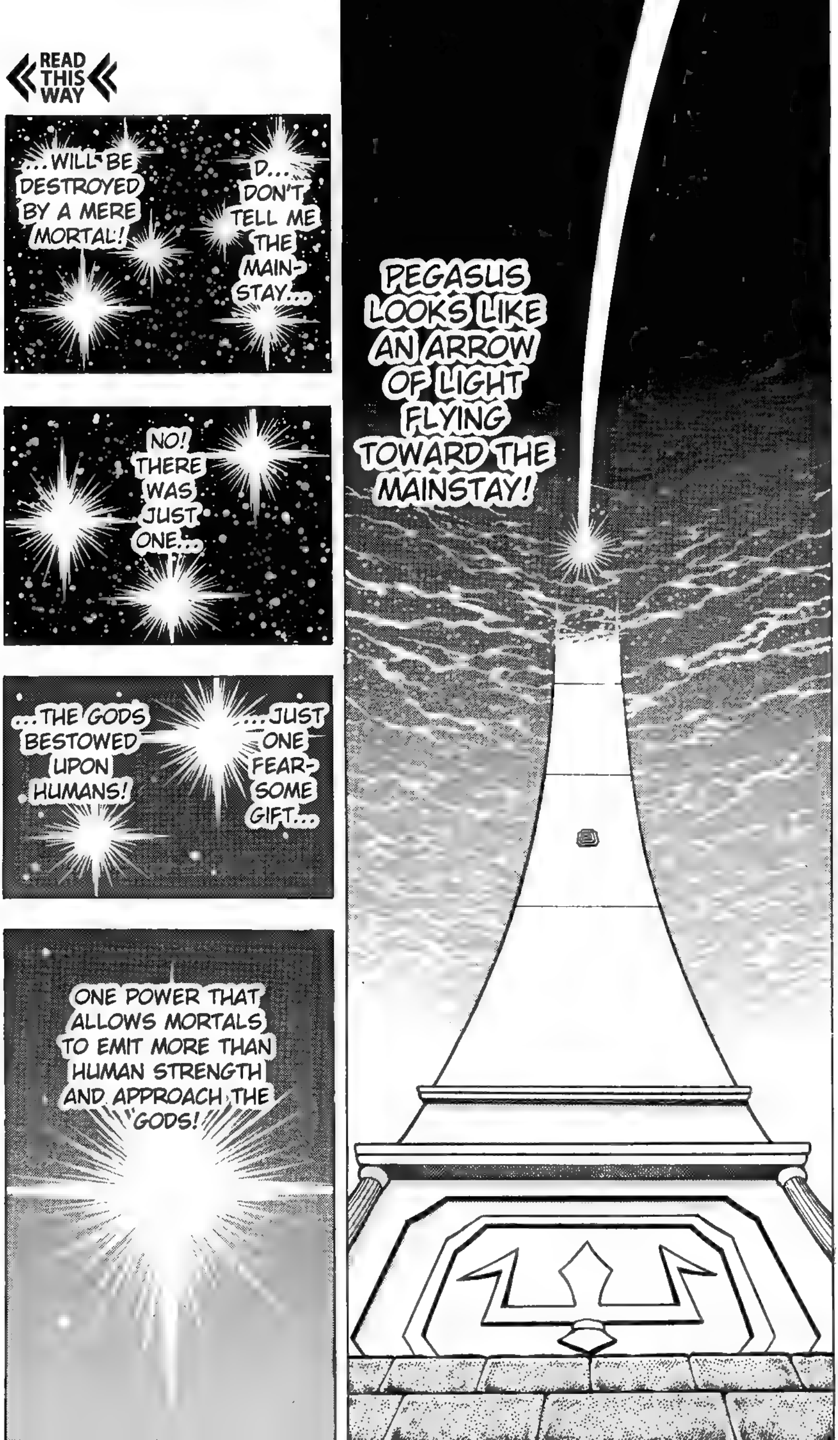
ROZAN'S RISING DRAGON BLOW!!
DIAMOND DUST!!
AIM FOR THE MAINSTAY, AND TODAY OF ALL DAYS...
...TAKE FLIGHT, PEGASUS!!

UNH... UGH...
AAAARGH !!
ARGH !!
UNH!!

S... SEIYA ...
A... ATHENA ...
WE LEAVE ATHENA TO YOU...
GO, SEIYA !!
FOOLS !!
I WILL NOT PERMIT YOU TO TOUCH THE MAINSTAY WITH YOUR DIRTY MORTAL PAWS!

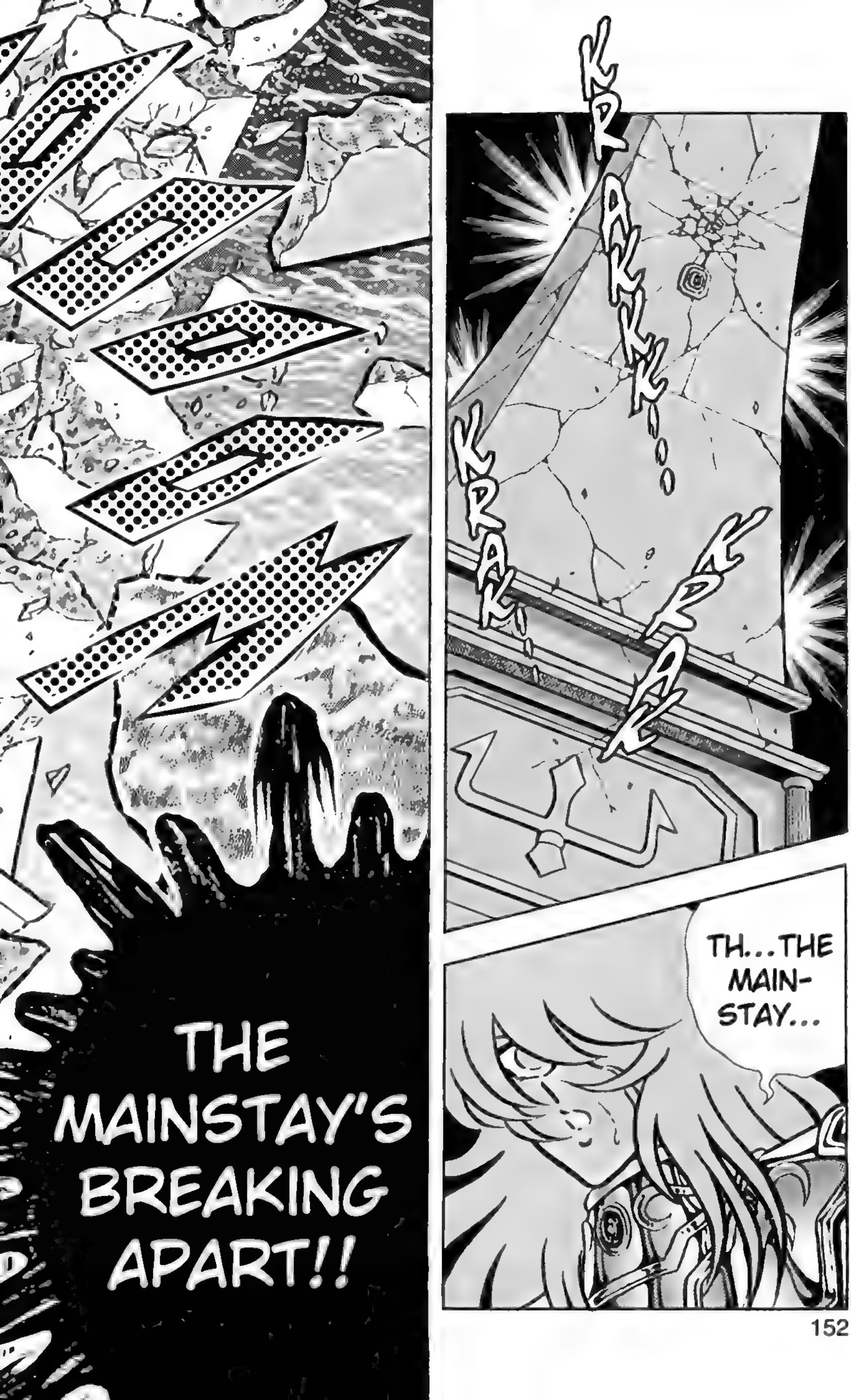
HE HAS ALREADY SURPASSED THE SPEED OF LIGHT! HE LOOKS ALMOST LIKE A METEOR!
WHAT IS HAPPENING TO HIS BODY?
WHAT? MY TRIDENT COULD NOT STOP PEGASUS?

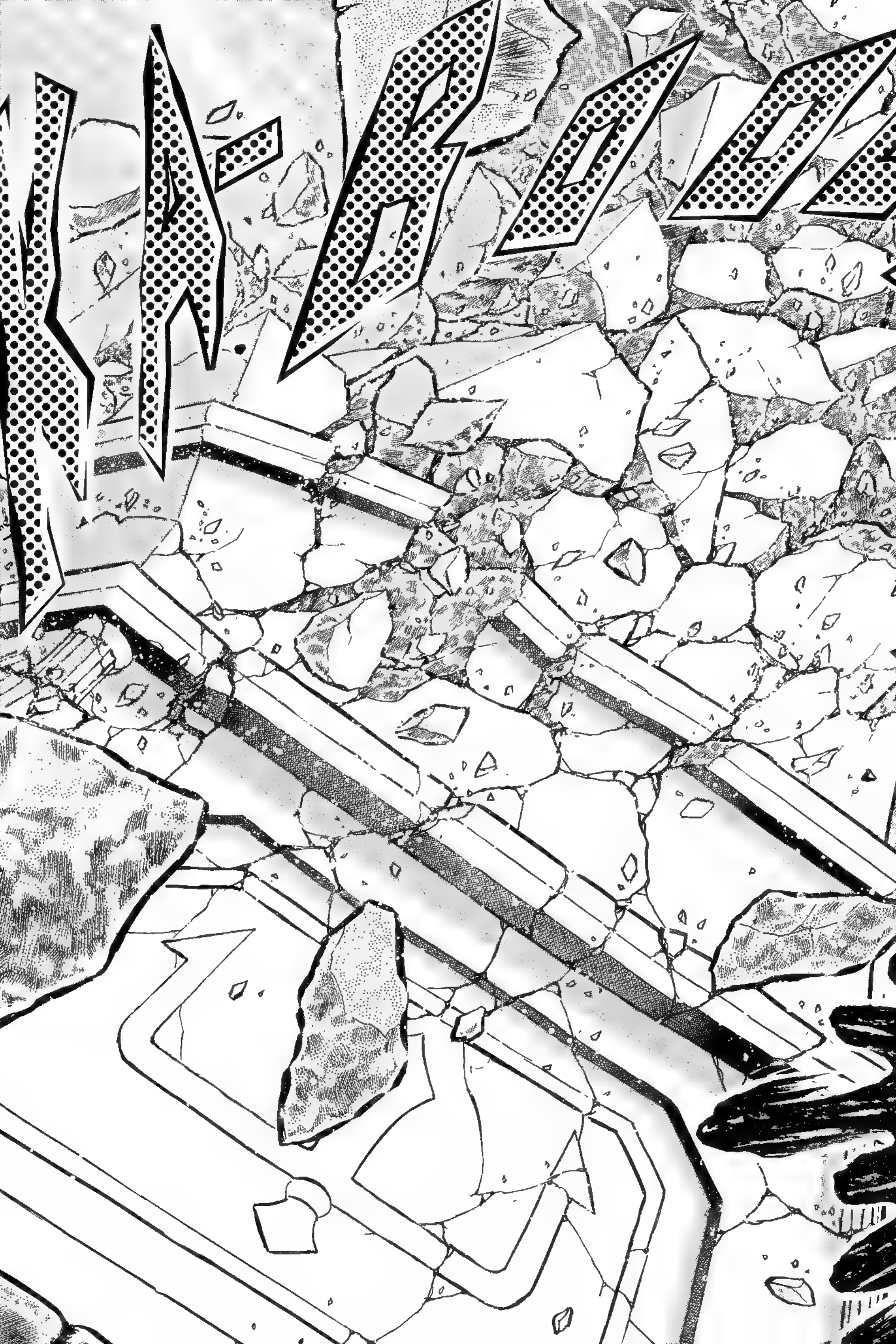
READ THIS WAY



SHF
THE ABILITY TO CREATE MIRACLES !!
IS THE MORTAL PEGASUS ABOUT TO CAUSE A MIRACLE?
IN FRONT OF ME, THE SEA GOD POSEIDON?

HE...HE VANISHED...
PEGASUS DISAPPEARED INTO THE MAINSTAY...
KRK

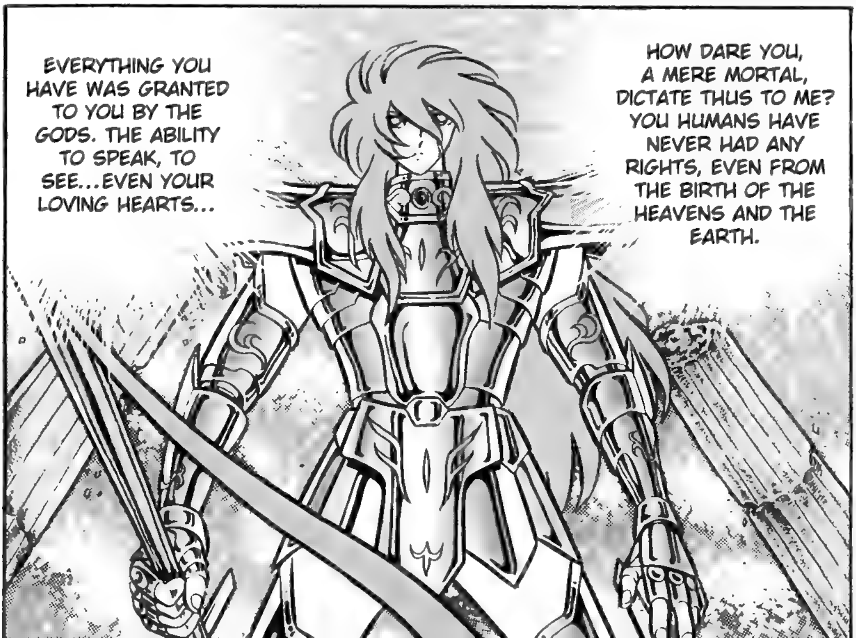

TH...THE MAIN-STAY...
THE MAINSTAY'S BREAKING APART!!



AND MY UNDERWATER SANCTUARY IS CRUMBLING ALONG WITH IT!

READ THIS WAY
DOOOOOOM
PEGA-SUS!!
PRINCESS SIENNA...
UNH ...

YOU ARE SUCH CON-SUMMATE FOOLS.
YOU DARED TO INTERFERE WITH A GOD ATTEMPTING TO REBUILD A WORLD TAINTED BY CORRUPTION...
IF YOU ARE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE, YOU MORTALS WILL EVENTUALLY POLLUTE NOT JUST THIS EARTH, BUT THE ENTIRE GALAXY.
TH...THAT'S STILL NO EXCUSE FOR KILLING INNOCENTS AND CHILDREN...
hff
hff
AND NOT JUST HUMANS, BUT ALL OF EARTH'S CREA-TURES...
...HAVE THE RIGHT TO LIVE!!

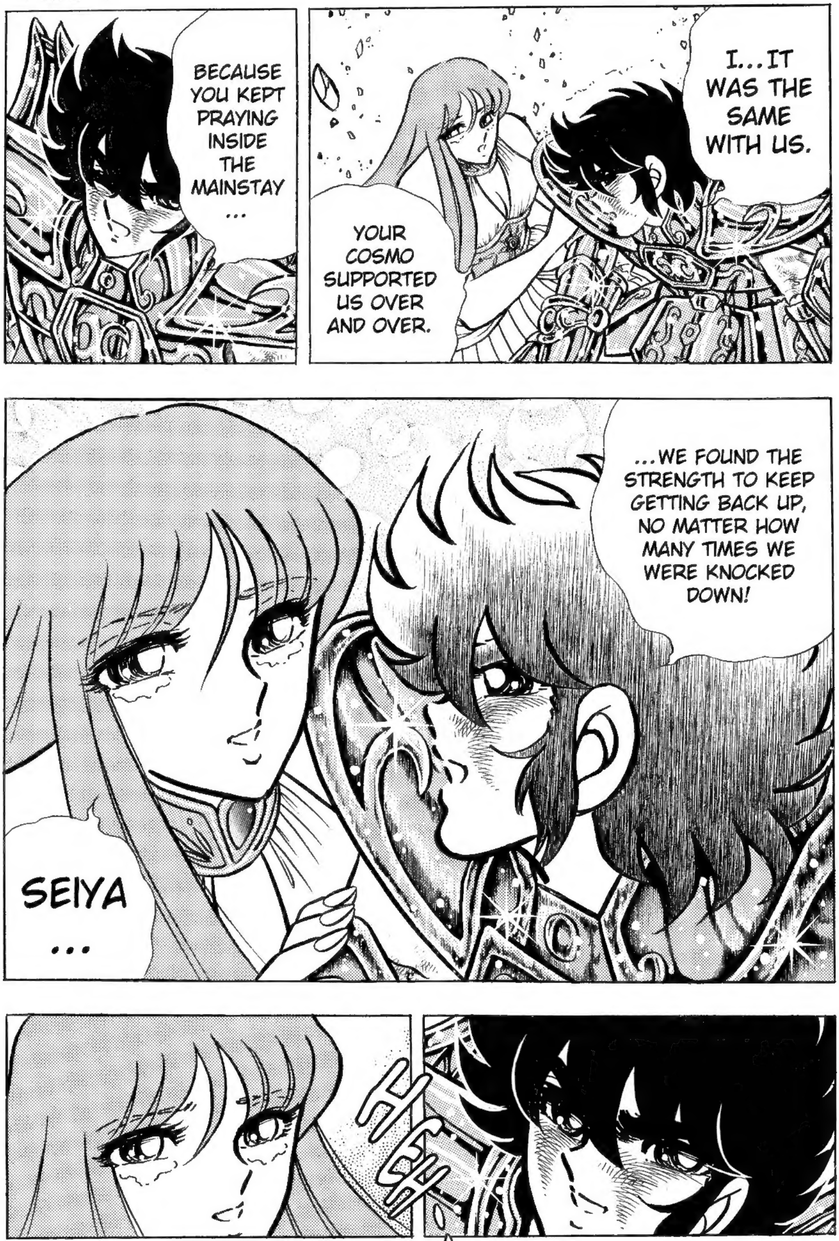

HOW DARE YOU, A MERE MORTAL, DICTATE THUS TO ME? YOU HUMANS HAVE NEVER HAD ANY RIGHTS, EVEN FROM THE BIRTH OF THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH.
EVERYTHING YOU HAVE WAS GRANTED TO YOU BY THE GODS. THE ABILITY TO SPEAK, TO SEE...EVEN YOUR LOVING HEARTS...

WHAT YOU HAVE DONE HERE IS BLASPHEMY! IT SHALL NOT BE FORGIVEN!!
GRRAAH
YOUR BODIES SHALL BE DRAWN AND QUARTERED AND THE PIECES SCATTERED TO THE FAR CORNERS OF THE GALAXY!
UNH! UNBELIEVABLE! POSEIDON'S COSMO JUST KEEPS EXPANDING!
I...IT'S SO HUGE NOW IT COULD ALMOST ENCOMPASS THE UNIVERSE...

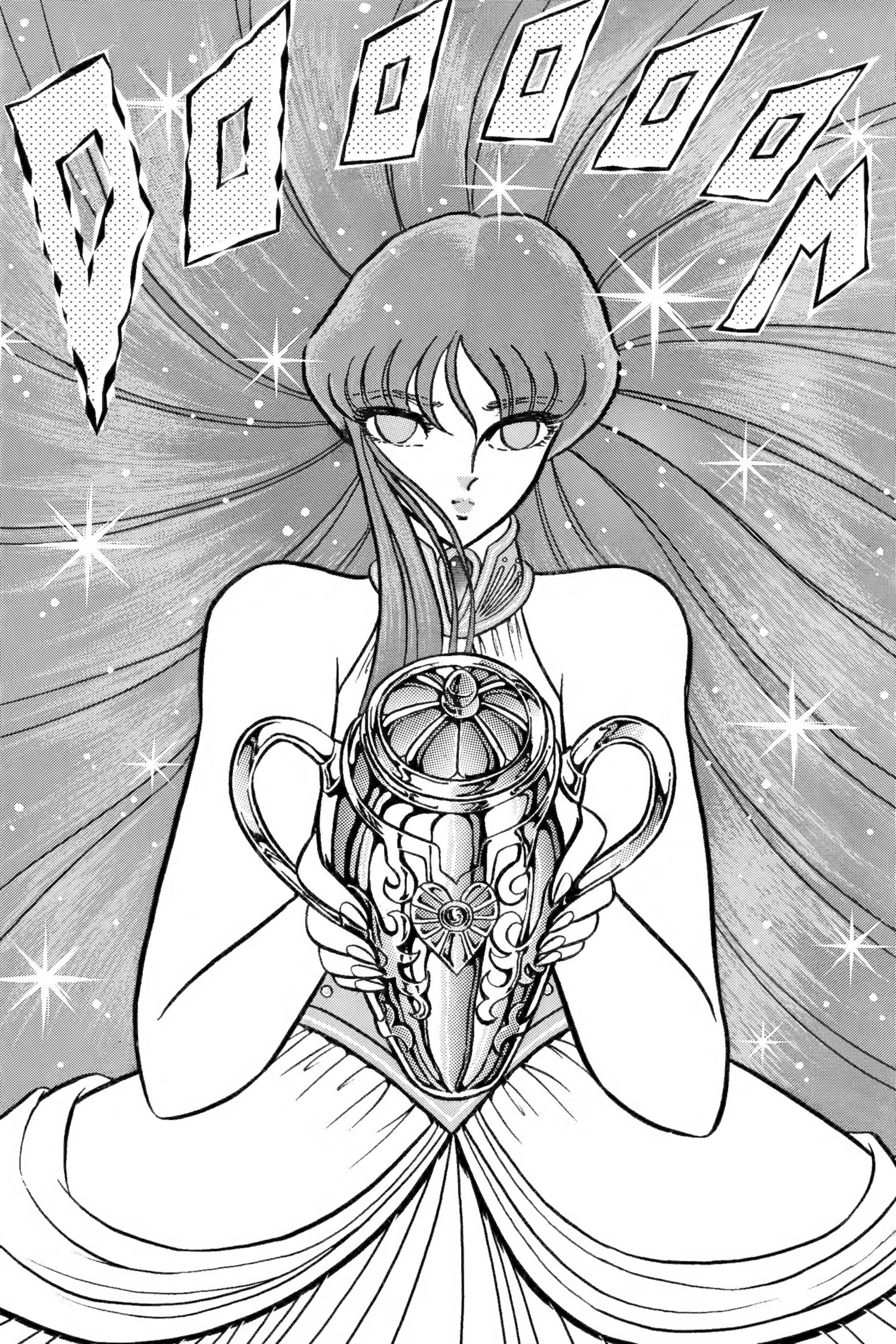
FEEL THE WRATH OF THE GODS!
DIE, PEGASUS!!
I'LL BE TORN TO PIECES BY THE STRENGTH OF A GOD...
NO...I DON'T EVEN HAVE THE STRENGTH TO DEFEND MYSELF...
WHAT?
WHAT IS THIS POWER THAT HAS STOPPED MY TRIDENT?

ATHENA !!
P... PRINCESS SIENNA...
SEIYA ...
THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR RESCUING ME.
AND NOT JUST NOW, BUT THE COUNTLESS TIMES ALL OF YOUR COSMOS BOLSTERED ME WHEN I CAME CLOSE TO FALTERING INSIDE THE MAINSTAY.
THAT'S HOW I MANAGED TO CLING TO LIFE FOR THIS LONG.

READ THIS WAY



AT THIS POINT, POSEIDON, YOU HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO ADMIT DEFEAT!
GRRR..
NOW GO BACK OBEDIENTLY TO WHERE YOU CAME FROM.
YOUR NARROW BRUSH WITH DEATH SEEMS TO HAVE ADDLED EVEN *YOUR* BRAINS, ATHENA.
WHERE DO YOU PROPOSE I RETURN, EH?
WHAT?
WHAT'S THAT IN YOUR HANDS?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